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BIRTHS.

COAKHAM—On Sunday, December 7, 1924, at 16 Serpentine terrace, Ballsbridge, Dublin, to Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Coakham, a daughter.

KYLE—December 8, 1924, at 89 Lower Baggot street, to Mr and Mrs. John A. Kyle, Birr, a son.

ROYCROFT—December 11, 1924, at The Arcade, Newbridge, to Mr. and Mrs. K. Roycroft, a son.

MARRIAGES.

JOHNSON and LAW—December 10, 1924, at Holy Trinity Church, Folkestone, by the Rev. J. Cethin Jones, C.F., assisted by Rev. W. H. Elliott, M.A., Vicar of the Parish, John Owens, eldest son of the late Captain John Owens Johnson, 12th Royal Lancers, and of Mrs. Johnson, of Sherwood, Tenby, to Eleanor Alice, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Alexander Law, of 25 Grimston Gardens, Folkestone.

LITTON and McCREA—December 3, 1924, at Bellaghy Presbyterian Church, by the Rev. V. M. Corkey, assisted by the Rev. T. McCrea, Roy Verrailes, younger son of the late Edward de L'E. Litton, B.L., Ardavilling, Cloyne, and Mrs. Litton, and grandson of the late Mr. Justice Litton and of the late Dr. Gordon, Dublin, to Mina Porter, only daughter of the Rev. T. and Mrs. McCrea, The Manse, Bellaghy, County Derry.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on Page 6.

ARMSTRONG—December 12, 1924, in Dublin, Elizabeth, daughter of the late Captain Archibald Armstrong, 71st H.L.I. Funeral to Sligo by to-morrow (Tuesday) morning mail.

BROOKS—At his residence, 14 Castlewood Park, Rathmines, Dublin, George C. Brooks, third son of the late Henry S. Brooks, late of Cork. Funeral private.

KELLY—December 12, 1924, at Station road, Clondalkin, County Dublin, John Kelly, ex-Sergeant R.I.C., Longford, aged 72 years. Deeply and deservedly regretted.

LARDNER—December 13, 1924, at a Private Nursing Home, Dublin, Hugh William Lardner, Swan Park, Monaghan. Funeral this morning, after Mass, 11 o'clock, at the Town Church, Monaghan, to Latlorcan.

McELROY—December 13, 1924, at her residence, Comeragh, 68 Iona road, Mrs. Mary McElroy, late Ardeevin, Claremorris. R.I.P. Remains leave Broadstone 1.30 to-day. High Mass at Parish Church, Claremorris, to-morrow (Tuesday) morning at 11 o'clock. Funeral at 1 o'clock.

McGRATH—December 13, 1924, at his residence, Ard-Uladh, The Crescent, Clontarf, John McGrath. Funeral (private) this day (Monday).

MECREDY—December 14, 1924, suddenly, at Powerscourt Rectory, Enniskerry, Rev. Henry Capel Sandys Mecredy, M.A. "Absent from the body, present with the Lord." Funeral private. No flowers, by request.

MORRIS—December 13, 1924, at Stonebrook, Ballymore Eustace, County Kildare, Elizabeth Christina, widow of the late Sir George Morris, K.C.B., and daughter of the late David O'Connor Henchy, aged 74 years. R.I.P. Funeral (private) in Galway.

MURTAGH—December 14, 1924, at 3 Bath street, Wicklow, Matthew Murtagh, late Principal St. Patrick's National Schools. R.I.P. Funeral to-morrow (Tuesday) to New Cemetery, Rathnew.

O'DEA—December 12, 1924, at Creevagh, Orwell Park, Rathgar, Mary O'Dea, dearly-beloved wife of Michael O'Dea. R.I.P. Requiem Mass at Church of the Three Patrons, Rathgar, at 10.30 o'clock this (Monday) morning, 15th inst. Funeral (private) immediately after to Glasnevin.

O'LOUGHLIN—December 13, 1924, at 11 Harlow terrace, Kevin O'Loughlin, late of Land Registry and St. Laurence O'Toole's G.A.A. R.I.P. Funeral from St. Kevin's, Harrington street, to-morrow morning after 10 o'clock Mass.

SUTCLIFFE—December 12, 1924, at Old Bank House, Clogheen, County Tipperary, Jane Hunter, dearly-loved wife of William Sutcliffe.

TISDALL—December 12, 1924, at her residence, 23 Fitzroy avenue, Drumcondra, Dublin, Mary, beloved wife of Richard Tisdall. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Funeral from St. Agatha's, North William street, to Glasnevin Cemetery, after 10 o'clock Mass, this (Monday) morning.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Mrs. Guest and Mrs. F. H. Good thank the many friends who sent wires and letters of sympathy on the unexpected death of their mother. South African, Australian, and New Zealand papers please copy.

Miss White and Mrs. MacGowan wish to thank their friends for kind sympathy in recent troubles.—Wigmore Lodge.

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EGAN—In loving memory of John Egan, D.I., R.I.C. (retired), who died at his residence, 56 Mountjoy square, 15th December, 1922; also Rose Egan, died Christmas Eve, 1909. Inserted by their daughter, Beatrice Langan.

GEELAN—In loving memory of my dear brother, Johnston Geelan, who died suddenly December 15th, 1923. Good to father and mother. I miss him sadly.—Bob Geelan.

HYDE—First Anniversary—In loving memory of my dear husband, William Hyde, 12 Lower Wellington street, who died 13th December, 1923. Oh, Good Jesus, have mercy on his soul.

LEES—In loving memory of our dear mother, who passed away the 15th December, 1922. "Safe in Jesus' keeping."

McLEAN—In ever-loving memory of our dear Mina, who entered into rest at Ballykyne, Clonbur, County Galway, 15th December, 1917.

ROBINSON—In loving memory of William Robinson, of Seagoe House, Portadown, who entered into his rest December 14th, 1923. "And their works follow them."

SHIER—In loving memory of Joseph Shier, Prospect House, Barrigone, County Limerick, who died December 15th, 1918.

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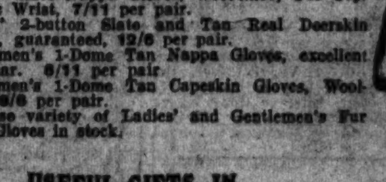
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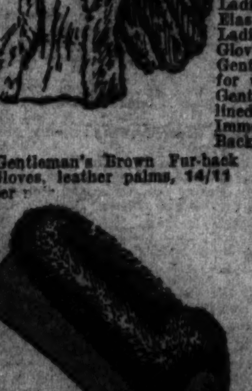

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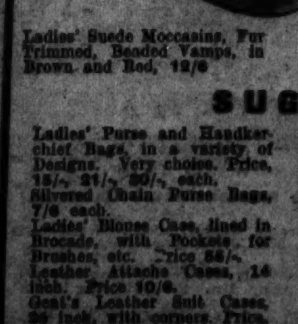
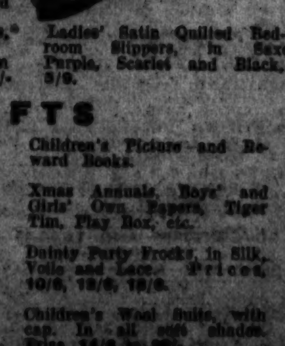
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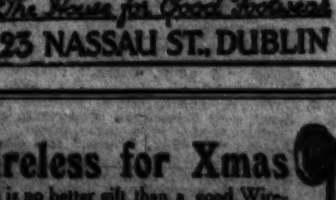
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OFFICE Apprentice required by Grafton street Drapery Firm; must be well connected and have good education.—D 1226, this office. 12 A

STATIONERY—Wanted smart, energetic young man (R.C.), having full knowledge of stationery and printing; give full particulars. Apply D 1278, this office. 12 C

SMART Youth Wanted as Assistant, City Automobile Showrooms. Apply in own handwriting, giving particulars and wages expected, D 1280, this office. 12 A

START a Business in Drapery, etc., from £1 upwards. Special attention to widows and beginners. Sure living. Write for advice and list, H. Levaine (Dept. C), 143 Houndsditch, London, E. 1. X

WANTED, Charge Hand for Grocery and Provisions for Co. Cavan; must understand his business thoroughly (Protestant preferred); state salary expected, indoor, and enclose copies of references. Address "Z 4875, Charge Hand," this office. 8 9

WANTED, two Junior Ledger Clerks; state age, experience, salary expected, and enclose copies of references.—D 1138, this office. 11 B

WANTED, Manager for wholesale dairy business; good connection among provision shops, and good bookkeeper; liberal salary experienced, energetic men. Apply, stating experience, salary, etc., D 1257, this office. 12 A

WANTED, after Christmas, Protestant Lady Help, attend lady, wheel bath chair, share room, household duties; knowledge cooking, driving; about £20; maids; country. Address "Z 4965, Help," this office. 12 C

WANTED immediately, Assistant in Protestant Institution near Dublin; experienced with children; must be willing, helpful, and well recommended. Send all particulars to W 14, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 14 B

WANTED, Lady Shorthand Typist. Apply, by letter only, stating age, experience, and salary expected, to Urney Chocolates, Ltd., Tallaght, Co. Dublin

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

BRANCH Dental Practice for disposal in Midlands, established over twenty years; excellent opportunity for energetic man; moderate terms.—D 1196, this office. 11 B

DENTAL Surgeon, L.D.S., desires Assistantship; experience in private practice; reasonable salary; excellent testimonials.—D 1179, this office. 11 B

DENTAL Cabinet and Writing Desk Wanted by dentist.—D 1318, this office.

LADY unqualified Chemist, six years' experience; excellent testimonials; terms moderate.—929, Irish Times Branch Office, Cork. 12 A

PHARMACEUTICAL Chemist desires Locum duty; excellent references; Dublin or district preferred. Address "Z 4936, Chemist," this office. 11 B

UNQUALIFIED Assistant, four years' experience, desires position, town or country; best references. Address "Z 4908, Chemist," this office. 10 A

VERY respectable Farmer's Daughter, Protestant, attend invalid, certificated, V.A.D. Nurse, Companion Help.—Mary A. Masterson, Rose Hill, Carysfort avenue, Blackrock.

WANTED by gentleman occasionally, simple Nursing in home or private house, Dublin. Address "Z 4979, Nursing," this office. 12 C

WANTED, at once, Chemist's Assistant, good references and experience essential; state age, salary, and when free. Address "Z 4, Assistant," this office. 14 D

LEGAL APPOINTMENTS.

EXPERIENCED General Clerk (North) wishes to hear of Change, preferably South. Address "Z 4905, Clerk," this office. 10 A

LADY Shorthand Typist, four years' experience all branches legal work, would like to hear of a vacancy in City Solicitor's Office.—D 1289, this office.

WANTED, young Solicitor as Assistant for Midland county town; state age and salary expected. Address "Z 4932, Solicitor," this office. A

MONEY, PARTNERSHIPS, ETC.

A LOAN from £10 upwards can be had; reasonable interest, long terms; Dublin only.—D 409, this office. 78 18

ADVANCES on War Loans, Stocks, Shares; Pension Vouchers cashed.—A. Elkinson, 48 Aungier street. 26 11

CASH Advanced on Endowment Policies, Stocks, Shares, Pension Vouchers, Property, War Loan; strictly confidential.—D 1042, this office. 12 9

HELLO, Christmas is coming—£5 to £1,000 advanced on War Loans, Houses, Endowment Policies, Land, etc.—D 1303, this office. 13 D

LOANS—The Commercial Union Loan and Discount Co., Ltd., 57 Middle Abbey street, Dublin, grant Loans. Apply to Manager. 26 25

LOANS for Christmas; shopkeepers and private individuals; £3 to £100, without security.—D 115, this office. 9 15

MANAGING Director (commercial experience), also Assistant Engineer, Wanted, each with £500.—D 1185, this office. 11 B

PRACTICAL Engineer, late R.N., forming small Company, desires capital to exploit quarry. Retired officers or others interested, apply for particulars, D 1173, this office. 11 B

PARTNER Wanted, capital £500 to £1,000, for Manufacturing Business; expansion; excellent prospects.—D 1240, this office. 12 A

WANTED, Person to Finance against Merchandise, or one with capital to finance good deals; splendid opportunity for right man; references given and required.—D 134, this office. 1 E

£5 TO £500 Advanced privately on approved personal security of borrower at an extremely low rate of interest; loan can be repaid by small instalments to suit. Call or write for particulars. S. Freeman and Co., 1 Garfield street, Belfast. 26 2

REPRESENTATIVES WANTED.

CORKS—Gentlemen connected with Beer Bottlers to Sell Corks on commission. Address "Z 4899, Traveller," this office. 10 A

ONE or two experienced Canvassers required; applications in writing only; the right man will be well treated.—H. White and Co., Coal Importers, 3/4 Lower O'Connell street, Dublin. 13 C

REPRESENTATIVE Wanted, with well established connection in the South of Ireland, by city Firm for Readymades, Woollens, and Trimmings; liberal salary and commission to smart, energetic man; only those presently on the road need apply.—D 1191, this office. 11 B

THE Island Spinning Co., Limited, Lisburn, require a first class Traveller for the sale of their Linen Thread and Shoe Thread in the Irish Free State. Apply by letter only. 10 A

TRAVELLERS already calling on grocers, pork butchers or similar trades; good commission basis. Wanted for whole of Ireland by Firm of Filling Machine Manufacturers; state districts covered, experience, references, commission. Address "Z 4996, Travellers," this office.

HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS OFFICIALS, SERVANTS, ETC.

POSITIONS VACANT.

HOTEL, Dublin—Assistant to Manageress required immediately.—D 1293, this office. 13 B

EMPLOYMENT WANTED

FIRST Class Cook, good all round London experience, restaurant or hotel; 30/- weekly.—D 1167, this office.

WAITER seeks engagement, hotel or club; experienced.—D 1115, this office. 10 A

YOUNG Girl desires training as Waitress, restaurant or tea rooms.—D 1089, this office. 10 A

TUITIONS AND SCHOLARSHIPS.

ALL Professional and University Prelims., Oral and Correspondence. Success lists free.—McGUIRE'S COLLEGE, Sackville street, Dublin. T

DEFECTS of Speech—Stammering, Stuttering, Nasality, Indistinctness of Utterance, Lalletion, Lisping, Rotacism, Loss of Voice speedily cured by Professor Burke, B.A., T.C.D., 192 Pearse street (formerly named Great Brunswick street), Dublin. 9 A

EXPERIENCED Teacher wishes re-engagement, January, Governess, parochial school; Church music; highest references; Protestant. Address "Z 4877, Teacher," this office. 9 A

HOLIDAY post Wanted, young, experienced Protestant Gentlewoman, daily (or part), advanced grinds school pupils, Companion invalid, Office, Governess, any capacity; go down line; details.—D 1300, this office.

LADY Graduate, trained, experienced teacher, requires Tuitions, three days a week, at own or pupil's residence. Address "Z 2, Tuitions," this office. 13 B

SHORTHAND, Typewriting, Bookkeeping, etc.—Metropolitan College (Gillespie's), 100 Lower Mount street. 'Phone, 3055. T

SHORTHAND, Typewriting and Bookkeeping Individual teaching.—24 South Frederick street. 'Phone, Dublin 3754. X

YOUNG Lady, L.R.A.M., A.R.C.M., will take Pupils, beginners or advanced, for Pianoforte and Theory.—D 1221, this office. 12 C

GOVERNESSES AND TUTORS WANTED.

AGENT FOR GOVERNESSES AND SCHOOLS—Miss Bellingham Todd, 5 Grafton st., Dublin. Advises Parents and Managers. Tel. No. 5258. T

GOVERNESS (Protestant), teach three children, eldest 11 years, country, 11 miles from town (South). Address, stating age and salary expected to "Z 4916, Governess," this office. 11 B

WANTED, R.C. Teacher, I.C., 18-20 average; longest central size apartments. Address "Z 4938, Teacher," this office. 11 B

WANTED, Nursery Governess (Protestant), eldest child 11, country town; state salary and references. Address "Z 4992, Governess," this office. 13 D

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

A CAPABLE young Gentlewoman desires position as Companion Housekeeper to lady living alone; very domesticated; needlewoman, gardening, poultry; some knowledge of nursing; country preferred; references.—D 1174, this office. 11 B

A WELL educated young Lady, experienced Shorthand Typist, Protestant, desires position, new year. D 1205, this office. 12 C

COMMISSIONED Warrant Officer, Royal Navy, retired, seeks Position of Trust, anywhere.—D 1124, this office. 10 A

DAILY Companion, Housekeeper, Secretary, or any Position of Trust; would do writing at home; plain writer; recommended; Delgany, Greystones, or Bray district. Address "Z 4958, Companion," this office. 12 C

EXPERIENCED Housekeeper, Protestant, business house, desires Change in January; highest references. Address "Z 5000, Housekeeper," this office.

EXPERIENCED Shorthand (100) Typist, Bookkeeping, desires position as Junior Clerk in office; small salary; references; can be interviewed Friday or Saturday next. Address "Z 4967, Typist," this office. 12 D

GENTLEWOMAN (Protestant) requires post immediately; experience children, household duties, needlewoman.—D 1320, Irish Times Branch Office, Ranelagh.

LADY would mind elderly Person, assist generally, morning hours.—D 1119, this office. 10 B

LADY, R.C., requires position as Companion, Secretary, or Help; state particulars and salary. Address "Z 4995, Companion," this office. 13 D

LADY as Companion Housekeeper to old lady, where maid kept; trustworthy position (correspondent if required); go Matron, Manageress, or Housekeeper for gentleman; exceptional references. Address "Z 4994, Companion," this office.

LADY desires position Housekeeper, one or two gentlemen, in or near city; cooking, sewing, musical; well recommended.—D 1329, this office.

ORGAN—Chapel Organist (I.C.), free now, temporary duty; later free certain times and week days; experienced large organ.—D 1301, this office.

PROTESTANT Help wants post Dublin; small salary for immediate post.—D 1319, this office.

UPHOLSTERING to Furniture by competent man; terms moderate.—D 1109, this office. 10 B

MALE SERVANTS WANTED.

REQUIRED, Lodge Keeper, Protestant (Pensioner, R.I.C. preferred); wages 10/- per week and firing; must be an active man, to keep off trespass. Address "Z 4931, Lodge Keeper," this office. 11 A

REQUIRED, young Man to work under gamekeeper, for South-East; must have had previous experience; good house and garden; Protestant. Address, stating wages required, "Z 4930, Gamekeeper," this office.

WANTED, good Herd; married; good milker; state wages required, with free house, milk, and firing.—Moekler, Annagh, New Ross. 12 C

WANTED, Trappers at once; must be first rate men, and have character; state terms and all particulars. Address "Z 4685, Trapper," this office. 2 X

MALE SERVANTS DISENGAGED.

A GOOD, experienced General Man, single, 30; understands horses, cattle, motor, plain gardening; highly recommended; disengaged early January; state terms. Address "Z 4921, Man," this office. 11 B

GROOM, prepare thoroughbred stallions for season, break young horses.—Graham, Coffinstown, Mullingar. 13 D

HERD (32) desires position; good milker, understands all stock, tillage; wife mind dairy, poultry; well recommended.—D 1292, this office. 13 B

HERD, 32, desires position; good milker; understands all stock, tillage; Wife mind dairy, poultry; well recommended.—D 1292, this office. 13 B

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS DISENGAGED.

GENTLEMAN can highly recommend experienced Gardener or Steward Gardener; vineries, peach-houses, vegetables, flowers; good knowledge of cattle and farming; married, no incumbrances. Address Gardener, Sheestown House, Kilkenny. 7 X

STEWARD seeks situation; married, Protestant; thoroughly understands his business; well recommended. Address "Z 4995, Steward," this office. 13 D

DOMESTICS WANTED.

WANTED for Dublin, end of December, experienced Working Housekeeper, one gentleman; good cooking essential; Protestant.—D 1313, this office.

WANTED, young Cook Generals (England), House maids, House Parlourmaids, Generals.—Mulpeter's, 11 South Anne street.

VACANCIES FOR SERVANTS. There are many vacancies in the REGISTRY of the "Irish Times" for all classes of Trained and Untrained Servants. Good wages offered. No fees charged. MATRON can recommend comfortable Homes where Servants can stay while waiting for situations. T

COOKS AND DAIRYMAIDS WANTED.

COOK General (Protestant)—Wanted, an experienced Girl for 1st January for Belfast; must be trustworthy; comfortable home and good wages to suitable person. Address Box No. 1549, Irish Times Branch Office, Belfast. 14 D

GOOD Cook Wanted. State age, and send copies references to Mrs. Evans, Bank of Ireland, Galway. 11 B

WANTED, good Cook General, young country girl.—Carson, Meudon, Swords. 10 A

WANTED immediately, London, good singlehanded Cook; three maids kept; young Housemaid also required. Please reply, stating age, wages and references, Mrs. Thompson, 3 Cumberland Place, Regent's Park, London. 10 A

WANTED immediately, good Cook; small dairy; good references essential. Apply Mrs. Jones, Lisnawilly, Dundalk. 12 C

WANTED, early in January, thoroughly experienced Cook General, two in family; man kept; apply, stating age, wages; enclose copies. Address "Z 4990, Cook," this office. 13 F

WANTED for 1st January, well recommended Cook General (good laundress), also House Parlourmaid, able to sew; Protestants preferred; for quiet place in Co. Donegal. Address, stating age, wages expected, and send copies of discharges, to "Z 4871, Cook General," this office. 9 X

GENERALS WANTED.

GENERAL required immediately; plain cooking, ordinary duties; good wages offered. Apply, after 3 p.m., Heaton, St. Kevin's Park, Dartry road. 11 B

RESPECTABLE young Girl Wanted as General; two in family, Blackrock. Enclose copies, stating age, experience, and wages, to No. 364, Irish Times Branch Office, Blackrock.

WANTED, 1st January, good reliable General, small family, Lucan. Address "Z 4960, General," this office. 12 C

WANTED immediately, young General, some experience; South side; family three; enclose copies references, state wages.—D 1283, this office. 12 A

HOUSE AND PARLOURMAIDS WANTED.

HOUSE Parlourmaid Wanted; good references essential. Apply Mrs. Jones, Lisnawilly, Dundalk. 12 C

WANTED, thoroughly experienced Protestant Parlourmaid. Apply Mrs. Browne-Clayton, Browne's Hill, Carlow. 11 A

WANTED for London, after Xmas, House Parlourmaid; good wages; comfortable home.—Mrs. Chaplin, 15 Addison Gardens, Kensington. 12 D

NURSES WANTED.

AGENT for NURSES, MAIDS and ATTENDANTS, Miss Bellingham Todd, 5 Grafton street, Dublin. Interviews daily. Tel. No. 5258. T

DOMESTICS DISENGAGED.

GOOD Working Housekeeper desires post; good cook; long experience; good reference.—D 1306, this office. 13 F

HOUSEWORK required two or three mornings weekly.—R O 1409, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines. 10 A

SEWING Maid, children, lady; would travel; highest references.—D 1252, this office. 12 A

COOKS AND DAIRYMAIDS DISENGAGED.

COOK General disengaged; good papers. Can be seen, 2 to 4 o'clock, 7 Haddington place, Haddington road.

DAIRYMAID, Protestant, technically trained; experienced; highly recommended. Apply J. Williams, Lisnavagh, Rathvilly, Carlow. 11 B

VERY Good Cook wishes to go job or permanent; well recommended.—34, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot street Bridge.

GENERALS DISENGAGED.

GENERAL Servant—Respectable, steady Country Girl; strong, willing; city, suburbs. Address "Z 4971, General," this office. 12 C

LADY recommends experienced Daily General, or for quiet place.—2 Belgrave square, Monkstown. 12 C

LADY highly recommends nice all round General (outdoor). Seen 5 Charlemont place.

YOUNG Girl seeks situation as General in small family; well recommended.—H 119, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown.

HOUSE AND PARLOURMAIDS DISENGAGED.

EXPERIENCED Housemaid disengaged January 8th; well recommended.—992, Irish Times Branch Office, Bray. 12 C

YOUNG Girl, disengaged, Housemaid, Betweenmaid, or Kitchenmaid; Dublin or Co. Wicklow.—954, Irish Times Branch Office, Bray. A

SPECIFIC ARTICLES.

AT KELLY'S, 48 FLEET STREET, Engagement Rings—A magnificent Selection of Secondhand Single Stone, Two, Three, Five Stone Gipsy, Marquise, and Cluster Rings, set with Diamonds, Emeralds, Rubies, Sapphires and Pearls, etc., of the finest quality, brilliancy, and colour. T

ALL Leather Attache Cases from 8/6, Fibre ditto from 2/-; All Leather Suit Cases from 21/-, Fibre ditto from 6/6; Blouse Cases and Trunks, School Bags, Trunk Straps, Rug Straps; Dog Collars, Dog Chains and Muzzles.—Thomas McKenzie and Sons, Ltd., Dublin. 12 4

AIR Guns, 4/6, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, 25/-, 39/6, 80/-.—Hely's, Dame street D

ARTIST'S Colour Boxes in endless variety.—Hely's Dame street. Write for Catalogue. D

ADAM Buck, print, framed, £7; nice pieces old China.—D 1260, this office. 12 C

BEDSTEADS and Bedding—Iron, Iron and Brass and Wood Bedsteads, Cots and Cradles; Bedding, all Irish made, in fibre, wool and pure hair; Pillows and Bolsters. Baby Carriages, Perambulators and Go-Cars; Safety Straps.—Thomas McKenzie and Sons, Ltd. 12 4

BRASS Fenders and Fire Brasses; Hearth Suites in Brass and Copper, Coal Vases, Fire Screens, Hearth Tidies, Fenders and Fire Guards; specially reduced prices.—Thomas McKenzie and Sons, Ltd., Great Brunswick street, Dublin. 12 4

BERKEL Slicer for Sale, almost new, also three Fireproof Safes, about two and a half feet square. Address "Z 4897, Slicer," this office. 10 A

BILLIARD Tables, Miniature, 30/- and 45/-; others up to £20.—Hely's, Dame street. D

BILLIARD Table, full size, slate bed, six cues, long and short Rest, Marking Board, twenty-two Ivory Snooker Balls, £20. Apply D 1197, this office. 11 B

BEST Pure Sweets, free by post, 2 lbs. 4/-, 4 lbs. 7/6; direct from manufacturers.—The Sweeteries, 17 Capel street, Dublin.

BACON Slicing Machines—New Straight Cut Model ready.—Booth Brothers, Engineers, Dublin. 22 X

CUTLERY and Electro Plate—Elliott's and Eyewitness Celebrated Cutlery in plain and stainless steel; Dixon's celebrated Electro Plated Nickel Silver Spoons and Forks never lose their colour; Carving Knives and Forks, Butcher and Bread Knives.—Thomas McKenzie and Sons, Ltd., Great Brunswick street, Dublin. 12 4

CORK Lino and Linoleum, Oil Cloth, all specially reduced. Linoleum Mats from 1/9, Cocoa Mats from 2/-, Hearth Rugs from 2/11; all sizes Carpet and Mohair Mats and Rugs.—Thomas McKenzie and Sons, Ltd., Dublin. 12 4

CHRISTMAS Presents for Sale privately, French Novelties, good Toilet Requisites.—D 1113, this office. 10 A

CHRISTMAS Delights—For old and young in the Christmas Number of the "Weekly Irish Times." On sale to-day, price threepence. Calendar Supplement, with Photos. of all Irish Judges, given free. F

CHRISTMAS Presents—Write at once for 52-page illustrated "Gift Suggestion Book," post free. Hely's, Dame street, Dublin. D

CHRISTMAS Cards—Hely's wonderful value, in Packets and Boxes. Packet A., Twelve penny cards, all different, 8d. B., Twelve cards, some handpainted, 1/3. C., Twenty-five splendid cards, 1/3. D

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CYCLING Waterproof Capes, 10/9, 12/9; Overall Leggings, 15/6; Motor Coats, 37/6; Trousers, 21/-; Ladies' and Gents' Waterproof Coats.—The Athletic Stores, 122 Stephen's Green, Dublin. 11 B

CARRIGEEN Moss, delivered by post or rail; selected quality. Apply Julia S. Murphy, Belmullet, Co. Mayo. 12 E

CHEAP China, Crockery. Finest value in trade for Beginners, Shops, Hawkers, Markets. Crates from 15/6. Cheap Cups, Saucers, Plates, Jugs, etc., at knock-out prices. Write now for Free Sample Article of our Manufacture and see our quality. Get our Free Monster Lists and see our keen prices. "How to Sell" Guide also free. 50 pages of valuable hints worth £'s.—ISLINGTON POTTERY, LONGTON, STAFFS.

DOLL'S Bed, Gilbert Meccano, other Toys; cheap.—D 1070, this office. 10 A

FLOUR Bins, Flour Crocks, Bread Crocks, Tea Caddies, Provision Jars, Hot Water Jars in stone, rubber and aluminium; Cast Iron, Steel, Enamelled and Aluminium Household and Kitchen Utensils in great variety.—Thomas McKenzie and Sons, Ltd., Dublin. 12 4

FOR Sale, Go-Car, with hood, also Folding Go-Car.—D 1106, this office. 10 A

FOR Sale, Tailor's Sewing Machine (Singer's), Irons (various weights), and Lap Boards; all excellent condition. Apply Davies and Jones, 28 Pearse street.

FARMERS and Stock Breeders, buy non-Steel Shelters, Garages, Improved Piggeries, Pig Feeders, at reduced prices. Particulars, Orpen, 11 Granby Row, Dublin. 3 X

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FOOTBALLS, 3/6, 4/6, 6/6, 8/6, 10/3, 12/6, 16/6, 21/- post 6d.—Hely's, Dame street. D

GOLF—Complete set for boys, Clubs and Bag; special Value, 21/-.—Hely's, Dame street. D

IN Stock for Prompt Delivery—Extension Ladders, all sizes, from 17ft. 6in. to 36ft. 6in. Safety Combined Steps and Extension Ladder; House and Folding Steps, 4ft. to 10ft.—Thomas McKenzie and Sons, Ltd., Dublin. 12 4

INGERSOLL Watches, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/-, 22/6.—Hely's, Dame street, Dublin. D

MICROSCOPE, First Grade, all fittings, £20.—14 Rostrevor terrace, Orwell road. 11 B

ARTICLES CONTINUED.

MECCANO—3/6, 5/-, 8/6, 15/-, 22/6, 40/-, 55/-, 85/- to £18 10/-, postage extra.—Hely's, Dame street. D

MANGLES, Washing Machines, Wringers, all Household Requisites. The Dairy Engineering Co. of Ireland, Ltd., 21 and 22 Bachelor's Walk, Dublin. 12 E

OIL Heating and Cooking Stoves; Table, Reading and Hand Lamps, Aladdin Lamps, Coleman Quick-lite Lamps, Mantles and Fittings; Primus Stoves, Ovens and Fittings.—Thomas McKenzie and Sons, Ltd., Dublin. 12 4

PRIVATE Christmas Cards—Orders executed in three days; patterns free.—Hely's, 28 Dame street. D

ROLLER Skates—Ballbearing, adjustable, with hardened steel rollers, 10/6 pair.—Hely's, Dame street. D

SACKS, Rick Covers, Waterproof Covers for Sale or Hire on best terms.—Coleman's, 25, 26 and 27 Chancery street, Dublin. T

SMITH Premier Typewriter Co., Ltd., 1 Suffolk street, have a large quantity of Secondhand Typewriters for immediate disposal, various makes, from £5; guaranteed. 10 A

SAFES, Fireproof, new and secondhand; exceptional value.—White's, 7 Johnston's Court, Grafton street. 12 C

STOCK of Drapery Shop to be Sold; only genuine buyers need apply.—D 1298, this office. 14 D

TYPEWRITERS—Oliver £5, £8, £10, guaranteed; Yost £3 10/- and £12.—Booth Brothers, Stephen street, Dublin. 18 4

WIRE and Steel Scraper Mats—Boot Wipers, fitted with scrapers and brushes, self contained, from 12/6 to 36/6. Just the thing for present weather.—Thomas McKenzie and Sons, Ltd., Dublin. 12 4

WATER Colour Sketches (unframed) for Sale; postal approval.—Miss Lecky, Dalkey, Dublin. T

WIRELESS BROADCASTING, ETC.

ALL Models Radiax Wireless Sets and Accessories in stock.—Pitmans, Electrical Engineers. (Est. 1884), 16 Crow street, Dublin. T

FOR Sale, 3 Valve Dual Cabinet Receiver; a bargain. Address "Z 4999, Wireless," this office. 13 D

THE Grafton Radio and Electrical Supply Co., 40 Grafton street, Dublin (at Leechman's)—Wireless Sets and Parts. Expert advice free. Mail orders promptly executed. 30 10

THREE Valve Wireless Set, in mahogany case; excellent reception of all British and Continental broadcasting; complete with two pairs head phones; £17; trial any evening.—D 1080, this office. 10 A

WIRELESS Battery Charging Station—E. J. Shannon and Co., Belgrove road Garage, Clontarf. T

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ANTIQUE Silver Cups, Candlesticks, Salvers, Sugar Bowls, etc.; also Diamond Ornaments. Precious Stones and Old Gold; highest prices given.—West and Son, Grafton House, Grafton street. T

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BOOKS, Magazines, all kinds, Bought.—Central Stores, 3 Upper Exchange street (correspondence only). 12 C

DIAMONDS, Old Gold, Antique Silver, Miniatures, etc., Purchased for cash.—Edmond Johnson, Ltd., 94 Grafton street. T

FEATHER BEDS WANTED. Highest prices given. Will send to examine in city. IRISH FEATHER CO., LTD., TARA ST., Dublin. IRISH FIRM. 'Phone, 661. T

WANTED, Used Irish Overprinted Stamps; good prices. Address "Z 4918, Stamps," this office. 11 B

WANTED, good Cast Iron Scrap; state quantity, station and price. Address "Z 4650, Iron," this office. A

2/- A Tooth paid for Artificial Teeth on metal plates; up to 14/- for old discarded Vulcanite Plates; cash by return.—L. Dembo, 10 Byron place, Clifton, Bristol. 8 12

MACHINERY.

BALATA Belting, Shafting, Pulleys, Pedestals, Pumps, Saw Benches, Motors, Lathes, Drilling Machines, anything in Machinery; low prices.—M'Coy and Sons, Ltd., Belfast. 8 A

BOOT and Shoe Finishing Machine, by British United Shoe Machinery Co.; in good working order. Auction at 49 Middle Abbey street, Thursday next.—Battersby, Auctioneers, Dublin. 11 D

BOLTS and Nuts—Engineers' Black and Bright 3-16" to 1"; also Set Screws, Whitworth and B.S.F.; large stock; competitive prices.—Booth Brothers, Dublin.

CLOTHING Factory Machinery for Sale—16 Singer Power Benching and Sewing Machines, also Sleeving, Button Sewing on Machine, and two Buttonhole Machines, all nearly new; also Hoffman Pressing Machine. Apply D 1160, this office. 11 B

FOR Sale, National Electric Lighting Type Paraffin Engine, splendid condition, replacing with larger engine. Apply National Gas Engine Company, 186 Pearse street, Dublin. 10 A

FOR Sale, 20 h.p. Gas Engine and Suction Plant, latest type, in first class working order, £85; 20 h.p. Gas Engine, electric light type, in first class working order, £50. Can be seen at Pearson and Son, 35 Capel street, Dublin. 12 B

NEW Steam and Electric Plant for Sale; two Sets Garrett's Compound Non-condensing Semi-stationary Steam Engines and Boilers, each 190 h.p., Boilers Multitubular, working pressure 190lb., with patent superheaters; also four Electric Generators, in two pairs, one pair for each Engine, 220 or 440 volts D.C., each 285 amps., by Scott; also the New Chrome Double Leather Driving Belts, each 64ft. long, 20in. wide, copper sewn. This Plant is brand new, and will be Sold to suit purchasers at bargain price. The Plant can be inspected at our Stores.—M'Coy and Sons, Ltd., Smithfield, Belfast. 8 A

OIL Engines, Grinding Mills—The Dairy Engineering Co. of Ireland, Ltd., 21-22 Bachelor's Walk, Dublin. 12 E

WANTED, Cross Compound or Tandem Steam Engine, 50/100 horse power, and Boiler; send particulars, where seen, and price. Address "Z 4889, Engine," this office.

WANTED, Circular Saw Bench, complete, with 30 inch Saw; suitable for cutting firewood.—D 1223, this office. 12 A

WANTED, Traction Engine, hire or purchase; state maker's name, condition and price.—D 1317, this office. 14 D

60 CIRCULAR Saws Sell cheap; Saws Set and Sharpened, Gulleted, Hammered, Brazed.—Byrne's, Drury street, Dublin. 27 X

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

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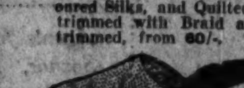

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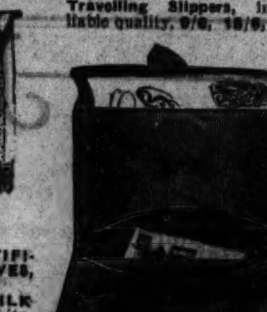

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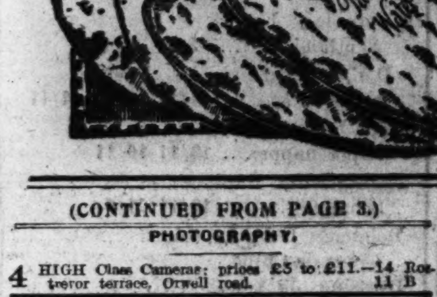

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BRAY—For Sale, two Detached Houses, near sea, specially fitted with every labour saving device, and lead on sea front; moderate price; owner leaving country. Apply D 1308, this office. 12 E

BIJOU Detached Residence for Sale, 19 Corrig avenue, Dun Laoghaire (Kingstown), 8 rooms, bath, garden front and rear, summer house; direct lease Lords Longford and De Vesci, 99 years, 1903, £18; inspection invited; possession January. 15 D

CHOICE Houses, Burdett avenue, Albert road, Sandycove, Kingstown, Dalkey, Glenageary to Dublin suburbs; possession. Apply Meagher, House Agent, Albert Villa, Albert road, Sandycove. 11 B

DRUMCONDRA—Nine roomed House for Sale; held for ever, free of rent; immediate possession; thorough condition; both; long gardens; 1/-d. terms.—D 1268, this office. 13 O

FOR Sale, Freehold Farm, 38 acres, near Castlederg, Co. Tyrone; good dwelling.—R. C. Baxter, 8 Rugby road, Belfast. 10 A

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KILLINEY—For Sale, immediate possession, compact House; long lease.—D 1300, this office.

MALAHIDE—To be Sold, Site for Building; seaside position. For particulars apply D 1262, this office. 12 C

SALE, Detached Houses, possession, Dalkey, Sandycove, Kingstown, Glenageary, Monkstown, Blackrock, Merrion, Ballsbridge, Stillorgan, Foxrock, Dundrum, Rathmines.—Boag, House and Estate Agent, 24 Main street, Blackrock.

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WANTED, Small House to rent, Unfurnished; 4-5 rooms; electric light; South side.—D 1308, this office. 12 B

WANTED, for month January or longer, small House or Self Contained Flat, two bedrooms essential; near Dublin; £3 monthly.—R O 1425, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines.

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FRONT Parlour, nicely Furnished; suit two young business ladies; 12/6 each weekly.—D 1316, this office. 12 C

HALL Flat, Leeson street, Unfurnished. Apply R. de Courcy, 11 Herbert street. 12 A

HAROLD'S Cross—Comfortable double and single Bedroom to Let; late dinner.—R O 1422, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines. 15 B

MILLTOWN—Two Bedrooms, Sittingroom (Furnished), use kitchen, bath, garden; two guineas weekly.—D 1217, this office. 12 A

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BRAY—Unfurnished House to Let; £60 yearly.—Doyle, 13 Bachelor's Walk.

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11TH to 20th December—3 to 5.30 p.m.—"Pioneer" Irish Lace Stall at Annual Dublin Industrial Development Association, 40 Upper O'Connell street, Dublin. 16 8

LEGAL NOTICES.

SAORSTAT EIREANN.

IN THE COURT OF THE RAILWAY TRIBUNAL.

THE RAILWAYS ACT, 1924.

In the Matter of
THE AMALGAMATION OF THE GREAT SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY
And
THE DUBLIN AND SOUTH-EASTERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

Whereas a proposed scheme (the Great Southern Railways Amalgamation Scheme, 1924) has been prepared by the Railway Tribunal, in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of the Railways Act, 1924, for the amalgamation of the Great Southern Railway Company and the Dublin and South-Eastern Railway Company (including the City of Dublin Junction Railways and the New Ross and Waterford Extension Railways), and printed copies of the proposed scheme so prepared, have been placed on sale and at the price as directed by the Minister for Industry and Commerce, and notice that such copies were so placed on sale and the place at which they could be obtained was duly published in the "Iris Oifigiuil," of the 10th December, 1924.

Notice is hereby given that the Court of the Railway Tribunal will sit at the Council Chamber, City Hall, Dublin, on Thursday, the 1st day of January, 1925, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of settling, in accordance with the provisions of the said Act, the said scheme so prepared as aforesaid.

It is requested that objections (if any) in accordance with the said Act to the said scheme be made, in writing, and five copies thereof forwarded to the Registrar of the said Tribunal, at No. 3 Upper Castle Yard, Dublin, so as to be received by him not later than the 27th day of December, 1924.

Dated this 12th day of December, 1924.
JOHN O'BRIEN, Registrar.
32/G. 8698. W.H.Co.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

JOSEPHINE WEBB, late of 122a St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, Spinster, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Statute 22 and 23 Vic., cap. 35, that all persons having claims against the estate of the above-named Deceased, who died on the 3rd day of November, 1924, are required to furnish written particulars of such claims to the undersigned Solicitors for the Executor on or before the 12th day of January, 1925, after which date the assets will be distributed, having regard only to the claims of which particulars shall have been furnished.

Dated this 12th day of December, 1924.
WEBB and WEBB, Solicitors, 1 Suffolk street, Dublin.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the Goods of
ELLEN LARKIN, late of Grallagh House, Thurles, in the County of Tipperary, Spinster, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the 22nd and 23rd Vic., cap. 35, that all persons claiming to be creditors or otherwise to have any claim or demand against the estate or assets of the said Ellen Larkin, Deceased, who died on the 24th day of July, 1924, are hereby required on or before the 24th day of January, 1925, to furnish (in writing) the particulars of such claims or demands to the undersigned, Solicitors for the Executor of said Deceased, to whom Probate of the Will of said Deceased has been granted in the Principal Registry of the King's Bench Division (Probate) of the High Court of Justice, Saorstat Eireann, on the 27th day of September, 1924, and in default thereof the said Executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Testatrix, having regard only to the claims of which notice and particulars shall have been given as above required.

Dated this 13th day of December, 1924.
A. and L. GOODBODY, Solicitors for said Executor, 24 Dame street, Dublin.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the Goods of
JOSEPH FITZGERALD, late of Cappawhite, in the County of Tipperary, Medical Doctor, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the 22nd and 23rd Vic., cap. 35, that all persons claiming to be creditors or otherwise to have any claim or demand against the estate or assets of the said Joseph FitzGerald, Deceased, who died on the 1st day of March, 1924, are hereby required on or before the 7th day of January, 1925, to furnish (in writing) the particulars of such claims or demands to the undersigned Solicitor for the Executors of the above Deceased, to whom Probate was granted on the 20th day of September, 1924, forth of the District Registry at Waterford of the High Court of Justice, Saorstat Eireann.

And Notice is hereby further given that after the 7th day of January, 1925, the said Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Deceased, having regard only to the claims and demands of which notice and particulars have been given as above required.

Dated this 12th day of December, 1924.
NICHOLAS F. MAHER, Solicitor for the Executors, 35 Molesworth street, Dublin, and Tipperary.

Notice of Audit and Dividend.—23.
SAORSTAT EIREANN.
HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.
IN BANKRUPTCY.
In the Matter of
PATRICK MULLIGAN, of Ballinamore, in the County of Leitrim, Grocer and Publican, a Bankrupt.

A Public Sitting will be held before the Court, at the Law Courts, The Castle, Dublin, on Friday, the 16th day of January, 1925, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to audit the Assignees' Account and make a First Dividend in this matter.

Dated this 12th day of December, 1924.
W. F. COOPER, Senior Assistant.
A. G. HOLLINSHEAD, Official Assignee, Law Courts, The Castle, Dublin.
WM. V. SEDDALL, Solicitor for the Assignees, 6 Westmoreland street, Dublin.

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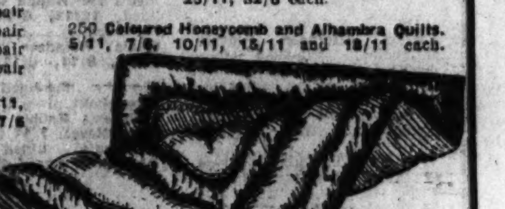

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The following subscriptions were received:—Mrs. Vereker, 2/6; Miss Lucas, £1; Miss Ffennell, 10/-; Mrs. Hayes, 2/6; Miss E. F. Purser, 10/-; J. H. Lefroy Stein, 10/-; Miss Stein, 10/-; the Misses Groves, 10/-; Mrs. Pearson, £2 2/-; Miss Wolfe Smyth, 2/6; H. W. Jacob, M.D., £1; Miss Mapother, 10/-; Miss Vigors, 5/-.

Collections:—Miss Vigors, £3 7/-; Foxrock Girl Guides, 9/-; Miss James, £1 16/-; Miss Brabazon, £1 16/-; Mrs. Browne, 6/-.

ROYAL CITY OF DUBLIN HOSPITAL.

The Board of Directors of the Royal City of Dublin Hospital met on Friday, 12th inst., Mr. T. R. McCullagh in the chair. Also present—Mr. William Baskett, Mr. G. Jameson Johnston, Mr. R. W. Booth, Mr. V. M. Synge, Mr. Seton Pringle, Mr. Louis Cassidy, Mr. H. A. Vernon, Mr. W. R. Burgess, Dr. A. R. Parsons. The minutes of the last Board meeting were read and signed, also the minutes of the Weekly, Construction, Finance, Ladies' and Nursing Committees.

Letters of thanks were received from the ladies and gentlemen who were elected Life Governors of the Hospital in connection with the "Felix Fair."

The Finance Committee report that the overdraft at the bank on the 30th November was £7,511.

The Matron offers her very sincere thanks for the following gifts received during the month of November—

Children's Clothes—Mrs. C. Joy.
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Wheel Chair—Colonel Campbell.
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CITY OF DUBLIN SKIN HOSPITAL.

The monthly meeting of the City of Dublin Skin and Cancer Hospital, Hume street, Dublin, was held at Hume House, Hume street, on Thursday last under the chairmanship of Mr. Andrew Smith. The report of the Medical Superintendent, Andrew Charles, Esq., F.R.C.S.I., showed an attendance of 56 intern patients, 675 extern, and 221 for light treatment. The report of the Finance Committee was submitted and cheques passed for the necessary expenditure. Mr. T. Halligan, J.P., and Mr. William Findlater, M.A., were chosen Visiting Governors for the month.

The Committee acknowledge with grateful thanks receipt of the following subscriptions and donations:—Mrs. Clifford Lloyd, £5; Lady Horsbrugh Porter, £2; Miss Alice Robertson, £1; John Landy, Esq., £1.

The Committee urgently appeal for donations to enable them to complete the new hospital which is now under construction, and to pay for the equipment, which embodies the most up-to-date appliances for the treatment of cancer, and for the prosecution of research known to science.

Subscriptions should be sent to the Secretary, Hume House, Hume street. The public are invited to help the building fund by purchase of tickets for the British Empire Ballot, organised by British Charities Association, for which ten first prizes of £1,000 each are guaranteed. Single tickets, 2/6, and 5 tickets for 10/-, can be obtained from the Secretary, Hume House, Hume street. The annual meeting will be held at Hume House at 5 p.m. on Thursday next under the chairmanship of Mr. George Birney. All persons interested in the hospital are cordially invited to attend.

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DUBLIN CITY HARRIERS' INVITATION.

The presence of George Magan, late of the Celbridge and now of the Dublin Metropolitan Police; J. Kelly, of the Sligo Harriers, and Lieut. Coghlan, from the Army headquarters, together with C. C. Walker, of the Clonliffe Harriers, who won the Castleville event a week previously, added not a little to the interest in the third annual invitation meet of the Dublin City Harriers on Saturday last. The quartette had not met in any of the invitation events of the season, and their records suggested the possibility of any one of them winning the run-in. The race was one of the best that any of the invitation meets of the season produced, and after a struggle full of excitement, the Dublin man won a fine race by five yards from J. Nalty, of the home club. Magan was third and Coghlan fourth; but the Sligo man was disappointing, and after being with the leaders for the greater part of the distance, and at times cutting out the pace, he fell away towards the end and eventually finished in seventeenth place. That Walker's performance was something out of the common is indicated by the fact that his time (9 mins. 6 4-5 secs.) beats the previous record for the course, 9 mins. 11 secs., made by Gunn a couple of years ago. The distance was about 200 yards short of two miles. Walker has been running very consistently, and should figure prominently in the forthcoming championships.

The acceptance of the club's invitation was gratifying, the turn out of ninety being the largest we have had in any invitation run this year. The promoting club put twenty-two runners in the field, and the next best representation was that of the Clonliffe Harriers, who turned out thirteen. The Curragh Brigade Harriers sent a dozen in charge of Captain Bruen, M.C., whose association in the pre-war days with the fine cross-country team of the Connaught Rangers will be remembered. Other clubs represented were the Harp A. and C.C. (ten), the Castleville Harriers (nine), City and Suburban Harriers (seven), Dundrum A.C. (six), Pembroke Labour Harriers (five), Sligo Harriers and Dublin Metropolitan Police A.C. (three each), and the University College, Dublin (one).

The country covered before lining up for the run-in was considerably longer than usual—a desirable feature, as one of the complaints against the invitation run is that it is generally too short. The run-in was from Lady Shaw's gate on the Templeogue road to a point near the cemetery at Harold's Cross. The road was on the heavy side, but this was compensated for by its being slightly down hill. Walker, Kelly, Nalty, Magan and Coghlan got away from the ruck soon after the start, and ran in company for the greater part of the two miles. Walker and Nalty wore down the others, and were out on their own a quarter of a mile from home, and a fine race between the pair resulted in a win for Walker by about five yards, Magan and Coghlan being next in order. The Dublin City Harriers had six finishers in the first fourteen, which, while not as good a return as last year, was the best of the afternoon.

The positions of the leading finishers were as follows:—1st, C. C. Walker, Clonliffe Harriers; 2nd, J. Nalty, Dublin City Harriers; 3rd, G. Magan, D.M.P. A.C.; 4th, Lieut. Coghlan, Curragh Brigade; 5th, J. Dolan, D.M.P. A.C.; 6th, J. Timmons, Dublin City H.; 7th, A. P. Walker, Clonliffe Harriers; 8th, J. Flood, Dublin City Harriers; 9th, C. F. Rothwell, Clonliffe Harriers; 10th, J. Heffernan, Dublin City Harriers; 10th, B. Keany, Dublin City Harriers; 12th, Private McFarlane, Curragh Brigade Harriers; 13th, Lieut. O'Connell, Curragh Brigade; 14th, E. Mooney, Dublin City Harriers; 15th, S. Daly, Dundrum A. C.; 16th, C. P. Kenna, Clonliffe Harriers; 17th, J. Kelly, Sligo Harriers; 18th, M. Pilkington, Sligo Harriers; 19th, Lieut. Powell, Curragh Brigade; 20th, J. Rea, Harp A. and C.C.

OXFORD V. CAMBRIDGE.

The fortieth Inter-University Cross-Country Race was decided over the usual seven miles course at Roehampton on Saturday. Six a-side ran, and the first five home of each team scored. Cambridge won the team event, and have now 22 wins to their credit against Oxford's 18. The first man home was R. S. Starr, Cambridge, who covered the course in 42 mins. 19 secs.

Team placings (five a-side to count)—Cambridge, 1, 3, 4, 5, and 7—20 points; Oxford, 2, 6, 8, 9, and 10—35 points.

CHESS.

ARMSTRONG CUP MATCH BETWEEN BLACKROCK AND T.C.D.

The Dublin University Chess Club met Blackrock on Saturday evening, at the rooms of the latter in the Carnegie Library, Blackrock, for their encounter in the Armstrong Cup competition. The home side won rather easily by 6 games to 2, although the best game of the evening was that won by Mr. Spiro (University) from the Blackrock champion, Mr. McDonagh, who was in his day a prominent member of the University Club. Mr. Penrose might well have seen a different ending to his game, had he played Kt. to Q5 instead of pausing to capture K R's pawn. Blackrock had already defeated G.H.Q. on Saturday fortnight, and they promise to be the only dangerous opponents to Dublin and Sackville in the Cup contest.

The detailed score is as follows:—

BLACKROCK.		T.C.D.	
1. A. A. McDonagh	0	A. Spiro	1
2. R. T. Varian	1	S. G. Eliasoff	0
3. J. Gerrard	1	A. Sachs	0
4. C. Pearson	1	S. B. Weinberger	0
5. W. Crawford	1	E. J. Weinberger	0
6. P. J. Gillespie	1	M. F. Mende	0
7. E. Russell	1	K. B. Cockle	0
8. H. F. Penrose	0	S. B. Beckett	1
Total	6	Total	2

LAWN TENNIS.

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY.

At the annual general meeting, the following officers were elected:—President, Professor J. Joly, F.T.C.D.; Vice-Presidents (in addition to those re-elected), Dr. F. D. McCrea and Mr. G. S. B. Mack; Hon. Secretary, Mr. C. H. S. Craig; and Hon. Treasurer, Mr. T. C. Williams.

GOLF.

IRISH LADIES' GOLF UNION.

IRISH CHAMPIONSHIP DATE ARRANGED.

The thirty-first annual meeting was held on December 12th, 1924, at Mills' Hall, Dublin, Miss Leah Garratt, President, presiding. Forty clubs were represented. Miss Garratt and Miss Edwards resigned from the Presidency and the Hon. Secretaryship of the Union. Miss Cox and Miss M. Gaffkin were elected as their successors. Mrs. Rentone was re-elected Hon. Treasurer, and Mrs. C. L. Smith, Assistant Hon. Secretary. May 4th, 1924, was fixed as the date for the Irish Ladies' Close Golf Championship, at Lahinch.

IRISH PLAYERS AT WEST HILL.

West Hill beat a team representing the Army Golfing Society, on the club's course on Saturday, on two series of foursomes, by five matches to three. In the forenoon honours were divided at two matches each, the Army leaders, Captain A. G. Pearson and Captain C. B. Ormerod, the Army Champion, defeating Major C. O. Hezlet and Lieutenant-Colonel C. D. Hanny, by 3 and 2. Hezlet was partnered by F. G. Mirfield in the afternoon, and they beat Captain Pearson and Captain Ormerod by 6 and 4. The Army's only win was secured by Major Wingfield-Stratford and Major Maxwell.

In the forenoon, Major H. A. Boyd and Lieutenant-Colonel H. H. Harris were beaten by T. A. Bourn and E. Hunter by 2 and 1, and they also lost by the same margin in the evening to W. A. Murray and G. B. Canny.

AMERICA TO ADOPT A LIGHTER BALL.

America has decided to adopt a lighter ball. At a meeting of the Chicago District G.A., Mr. Robert Gardner stated that the governing body of American Golf intended to adopt a lighter ball, and that that decision would be taken at the annual meeting in January. Mr. Gardner is Vice-President of the United States Golf Association.

AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The dates of the American Championship events are to be so arranged that they will not clash with the principal tournaments in Europe, and under provisional arrangements the United States will hold their meetings as follows:—Open Championship—First week in June at Worcester, Mass. Amateur Championship—First week in September, at Oakmont Club, Pittsburg. Ladies' Championship—Second week in October, at St. Louis.

UNITED STATES AND WALKER CUP.

At a meeting of the Chicago District Golf Association, Mr. Robert A. Gardner, Vice-President of the United States Golf Association, announced that the Walker Cup match will in future be played every two years. Difficulty in financing yearly trips occasioned the change in the arrangements, and under the present system the United States team will visit England in 1926, and the British team would return to America in 1928.

MALAHIDE (Ladies' Branch).—Medal postponed until further notice. Semi-open foursomes will not be played this month, links unplayable.

RATHFARNHAM (Ladies' Branch).—Result of medal competitions:—A Division—Mrs. J. E. Healy. B. Division—Mrs. Creed.

HERMITAGE.—The links will be closed to-day and to-morrow. Final of Saturday Cup—James Hanlon (Class A.) (9), 75; I. M. Doyle (Class B) (13), 76. On the play-off Hanlon won.

DUN LAOGHAIRE (Ladies' Branch).—December 11th Medal. Class I.—Miss Rosie Meldon, 81 nett. Class II.—Mrs. Miley, 80 nett. December 4th Medal postponed to December 18th, and medal finals postponed to the new year.

BILLIARDS.

SMITH v. REECE.

Smith scored much faster than Reece in their match of 16,000 up at Burroughes' Hall, London, on Saturday. He conceded 5,000 start, and has reduced this to 851. In the afternoon Smith scored 748 and at night 752, Reece's figures being 267 and 118. At the start Smith took an unfinished break to 442, and had other breaks of 156 and 157 (unfinished); while Reece had 32, 85 and 77. Interval scores:—Reece, 9,745; Smith (in play), 8,250.

At night Smith carried his unfinished break to 336, and had other breaks of 204, 189, and 77 (unfinished). Closing scores:—Reece, 9,813; Smith (in play), 9,002.

INMAN v. NEWMAN.

In the match at Liverpool on Saturday between Inman and Newman the latter had breaks of 69, 128, 161, and 178, and Inman 188, 57, 53, 112, and 87. Closing scores:—Inman (in play), 9,422; Newman, 7,375.

POLO.

ARGENTINA POLO TEAM FOR ENGLAND.

It is announced from Buenos Ayres that the Santa Ines Club, which won this year's Argentine Open Polo Championship, will send a team to take part in the British and American matches next year.

The team will be composed of Louis Lacey, Jack Kearney, Dan Kearney and Charles N. Land. With the exception of Lacey, who replaces Brook Naylor, the team is the same as that which won the championship for the Santa Ines Club. It has a total handicap of 27.

COURSING.

WEDDING DRESS SOLD FOR 440 GUINEAS.

At the first greyhound sale of the season, held at the Barbican Repository, London, on Saturday, Mr. E. C. L. Bradley, of Wimbledon, who holds a nomination for the Waterloo Cup at Altcar in February, paid 440 guineas for the brindled brood bitch Wedding Dress, the property of Mr. Harry Evans of Dublin.

Wedding Dress (Hopsack—My Sweetheart) was bred by Arthur Mountford, of Crewe, and was originally sold at the Barbican as a sapling for 15 guineas. Last February she won the South of England Gold Cup at the Sussex City Club Meeting at Aldisbourne. She was whelped in March, 1921, and was served by Skeets on November 20 last.

This is the best price paid at public auction in England for a greyhound since Mr. Oscar Asche gave 450 guineas for Scoop in 1920. Mr. Bradley last season bought Hidden Sense, an Irish-bred bitch, from Mr. Thomas Harte, of Kildare, for 430 gns.

HOCKEY.

A LEAGUE PROGRAMME.

Saturday's League programme was put through under improved conditions. The afternoon was bright and cold, and, while grounds are still very soft, they have recovered to some extent. At Foxrock, Three Rock Rovers put up a very good game against the full Railway Union XI., and were somewhat unlucky to lose on a 2-1 score. Kingstown Grammar School proved too good for Fairview C.Y.M.S. at Tivoli terrace, and ran up 5 goals without reply. For the second successive week, Dublin University failed to reproduce their form of the early part of the season, and were defeated at Royal terrace by Monkstown, by the only goal scored in a fast, open game. In the Middle League, Railway Union II. qualified for first place, defeating Monkstown II. by 3 goals to nil.

THE SENIOR LEAGUE.

RAILWAY UNION (2) v. THREE ROCK ROVERS (1).

Considering the moist condition of the Foxrock ground on Saturday, quite an interesting and exciting game was witnessed. Through the field the play was fast, and the only drawback was the inability of either forward line to put the finishing touches to otherwise wonderfully good movements.

On the run of the game, Rovers were unlucky to lose. Early in the play, Eyre, Mahony and Aykroyd had open shots, the former pair shooting past and the latter placing slowly for Leopold to stop and clear. Profiting by these escapes, Railway pressed home several attacks, and after the Rovers' defence had held out well for a time, C. Sully got through to score cleverly. The lead was short-lived, as Eyre equalised soon afterwards, the interval finding the scores level.

Railway did better in the second half, and only fine work by Freeman and Pilkington saved the Rovers' goal. Mahony at length raised the siege, and Maconchy got in a fine drive, which Leopold saved splendidly. A high centre from Browner was well taken by Leitch, who, although checked, got past Freeman with a surprise shot. From this to the end Rovers were continually defending, but were generally masters of the situation, no side finding Railway ahead after a hard-fought game.

Teams:—

Three Rock Rovers—J. Freeman; C. Blair-White, G. J. Pilkington; R. Brown, J. K. Maconchy, W. V. Campbell; G. N. Boyd, J. M. Eyre, J. S. Mahony, W. Aykroyd, N. Medcalf.

Railway Union—W. C. Leopold; K. Browner, E. Downey; J. Peatt, W. Chiddick, R. Williams; T. Browner, C. Sully, V. Sully, H. Sully, R. Leitch.

Umpires—Messrs. W. F. McDonnell and J. S. McMahon.

MONKSTOWN (1) v. DUBLIN UNIVERSITY (0).

Heavy as the ground at Royal terrace was, especially at the northern end, this return Senior League match was fast and open, and for the second week Dublin University dropped the points, beaten by the only goal scored. Apparently the forward line is not giving satisfaction, and a new combination took the field. J. G. Wilson played inside to J. A. Leonard on the right, G. F. West appearing at centre, leaving the left as usual, except for the last ten minutes, when Acheson and Wilson changed places. Monkstown made one change in their usual side, W. F. Williams turning out in place of Dormer, and early in the first half Morrison went from right to centre half.

Despite the ground handicap, it was an interesting game, if at times inclined to be robust, and marked by a tendency to lift the ball, a failing shared by both teams. At the start the visitors took the upper hand, and for the first fifteen minutes the Monkstown goal was subjected to heavy pressure. During this phase the circle cut up badly, and made shooting a matter of some difficulty, but this scarcely accounts for the failure of the University forwards. Up against a good pair of backs, with Fenton playing well in goal, scoring was no easy matter, but even allowing for this the University forwards should have scored. The half was well advanced before Monkstown took up the offensive, and after they had failed to make anything of a couple of corners, it looked odds on a blank score sheet at the interval. However, it worked out otherwise. Down on the left in a scrambling rush the ball came across, and Frackleton beat Heatley with a lofted shot a minute or so before the whistle went.

Play ran more evenly in the second half, and both goals had a series of escapes. Helped by a certain amount of luck, the respective defences held the attacks, and although a number of corners were forced nothing came of them. Monkstown were not well together, and their movements frequently broke down for want of proper backing up, while the University forwards were slow, most of the passes being too square and obvious. Thus, right to the end defence held attack, and the final whistle came with the score unaltered. This reverses the result of the previous meeting of the clubs, when Monkstown went down on a 4-2 score in the College Park.

Teams:—

Dublin University—B. A. Heatley; J. B. Tuke, L. Somerville-Large; B. J. Daly, W. L. Connell, J. P. Pigot; J. A. Leonard, J. G. Wilson, G. F. West, W. P. MacDonogh, W. E. Acheson.

Monkstown—A. A. Fenton (capt.); G. M. Orr, J. Peteson; W. Morrison, H. Legge, G. Darcus; A. Johnston, E. Gray, H. Frackleton, W. F. Williams, R. Towers.

Umpires—Messrs. C. Bruton and D. J. Colter.

KINGSTOWN G.S. (5) v. FAIRVIEW C.Y.M.S. (0).

Kingstown G.S. added two further points to their total in the Senior League by beating Fairview C.Y.M.S. by 5 goals to nil at Tivoli terrace on Saturday. Considering the amount of rain that has fallen during the past week, the ground was in good condition, and a fast game ensued. Kingstown were, as the score indicates, the better team, and sound in both attack and defence. A feature of the game was their long passing from wing to wing. Fairview played a much better game than earlier in the season, but their attacks always failed through weakness in the circle. Their defence improved in the second half. Grammar School only succeeded in scoring twice.

The visitors were first to attack, but found the defence too good. Following a free outside the circle, Watson shot wide. C.Y.M.S. got down again, but Phillips cleared, and play went to midfield. The School then put on pressure, and after twenty minutes' play A. F. Cook opened the scoring with a fast drive, while five minutes later Winder added a second from a corner. A free against Kingstown sent the visitors away, but once more defence beat attack. The home team got down to the Fairview goal, and looked like scoring, but excellent play by Fitzgerald kept them out, and with a long drive up the field he eased the situation. Phillips cleared, and C. Cook getting close in scored the third goal. C.Y.M.S. then attacked, and Waters had hard luck in not scoring, a fast shot of his being stopped in fine style by Gibson. The visitors were attacking strongly when the interval arrived, with the School leading by three clear goals.

Play was even in the second half, both goals being visited in turn, and after fifteen minutes Staples put across a good centre for Winder to score the fourth goal. Devlin cleared from the visitors' forwards, and shortly afterwards Staples got right away, and with a fast rising shot brought the total to five. Full time arrived with the School attacking strongly. Teams:—

Kingstown G.S.—G. W. Gibson; E. S. Phillips, Rev. E. J. Devlin; R. E. Felton, A. F. Cook, J. R. Marsden (capt.); T. Staples, W. C. Ritchie, E. M. M'Cormack, E. Winder, C. W. Cook.

Fairview C.Y.M.S.—E. Daly; M. Fitzgerald, G. Buckley; F. Moran, J. Watson, P. Daly; M. O'Shaughnessy, F. Tully, T. Waters, J. Murphy, P. Ryan.

Umpires—Messrs. A. E. Cairns and G. Richardson.

OTHER RESULTS.

MIDDLE LEAGUE.	Goals.		Goals.
Dalkey	3	Portrane	2
Railway Union 2nd	2	Monkstown 2nd	0
Three R. Rovers 2nd	3	Pembroke W. 2nd	2
INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE—A.			
Railway Union 3rd A	5	Railway 3rd	0
INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE—B.			
Kingstown G.S. 3rd	8	Pembroke W. 3rd A	0
JUNIOR LEAGUE.			
Dublin Univ. 3rd A	7	Bray Rovers 2nd	0
National Bank 2nd	5	Y.M.C.A. 2nd	2
Railway Union 3rd B	8	Monkstown 3rd A	0

ULSTER RESULTS.

ANDERSON CUP—SEMI-FINAL.			
Lisnagarvey	6	North Down	1
SENIOR LEAGUE.			
Queen's University	2	South Antrim	0
INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE—DIVISION A.			
Knock	1	Bangor	1

CRICKET.

THE M.C.C. TOUR.

MATCH AGAINST AUSTRALIAN JUNIORS.

SYDNEY, December 13.

As a preliminary to the Test Match next Friday, when the first battle for the "Ashes" begins here, the M.C.C. to-day commenced a match against a side composed of eleven Australian Juniors and M. A. Noble, the veteran Test player, who acted as captain.

Noble beat Gilligan in the toss, and on a perfect wicket the Juniors, mainly owing to Josselyn (47) and Callaway (35), were not dismissed until they had scored 169. Noble received a splendid ovation on coming out to bat, the English players assembling between the wickets and giving him a rousing cheer, but to the general disappointment he was promptly bowled by Gilligan before he had scored. Hobbs and Sutcliffe, who opened the M.C.C. innings just before five o'clock, had scored 95 without loss in a little over an hour, when stumps were drawn for the day. Score:—

AUSTRALIAN JUNIORS XII—First Innings.	
R. Pope b. Freeman	11
S. Josselyn b. Gilligan	47
A. Green b. Freeman	6
H. Effick run out	8
M. A. Noble b. Gilligan	0
A. Callaway b. Hearne	35
M. Gildea b. Hearne	17
H. Waghorn run out	10
J. Roberts c. Hobbs b. Freeman	12
P. Gildea not out	9
F. George b. Howell	4
L. Sedgar b. Freeman	1
Extras	9
Total	169

M.C.C.—First Innings.	
Hobbs not out	50
Sutcliffe not out	40
Extras	5
Total (for no wicket)	95

To bat—Hearne, Sandham, A. P. F. Chapman, Hendren, Kilner, Whysall, A. E. R. Gilligan, Freeman, Howell.

BOWLING.

Australian Juniors (First Innings)—Gilligan, 2 for 36; Howell, 1 for 14; Freeman, 4 for 55; Hearne, 2 for 38; Kilner, 0 for 16.

THE OBSTRUCTION CASE.

With reference to the case of obstruction and the umpire's decision in a local match in the North of England during last season, the following further statement has been issued by the M.C.C.:—

"It appears that there has been some misconception of the Secretary of the M.C.C.'s observations on the case in the North of England, where a left-handed batsman in playing an off ball turned his bat to hit the ball in the manner of a right-handed batsman, and the umpire gave him out for obstruction and unfair play. The Committee of the M.C.C., to make the matter quite clear, add that there is nothing illegal of itself in the action, but there may be attendant circumstances which would justify an umpire in deciding that such an act was 'obstructive' or 'unfair.'"

ASSOCIATION.

SHAMROCK ROVERS STILL UNBEATEN.

The interest manifested in the return match between Shamrock Rovers and Bohemians was amply testified by the big attendance at Dalymount Park on Saturday, where the match was played by arrangement, the ground being well filled in all parts. The game, however, was somewhat disappointing, neither side playing up to expectations. In this respect Rovers were most to blame, and for the greater part of the play they failed to put the same life into their movements which usually carries them to success. Bohemians always had the better of them in formation and finish, but here again there was a want of enterprise.

The pace for the most part was fast, which suited the Dalymount side, but the soft ground spoiled many good movements, the players finding it hard to keep their feet. In the opening half this was very noticeable, several good openings being missed by Brooks and Roberts through slipping when trying to avail of centres from either wing. With the exception of a decided weakness on the right wing forward, Bohemians played good combination, all the departments working with a nice understanding, whether in attack or defence. Their passing was effective, but near goal the old weakness, hesitancy, was always noticeable.

Through the field Rovers were seen to better advantage, and their defence was always sound. They finished badly and, with the exception of the centre forward, the shooting was wild. In comparison, there was really little between the sides, and the game was played in a fine sporting spirit.

Rovers started strongly from the whistle, and for a short space attacked consistently, the right wing getting in a couple of nice centres from Doyle's passes. The Bohemians' backs were alert, and though a miskick by Kerr looked like proving costly, Cannon saved smartly. Bohemians' half-backs relieved, and Thomas, swinging the ball out to Murray, the latter worked up the wing and centred across the goal; but both Brooks and Roberts slipped when trying to shoot.

For twenty minutes it was a great struggle. Bohemians' left wing came through, and, beating the backs, Murray shot hard from a difficult angle and beat O'Reilly, the ball going off the bar into the net. In the succeeding couple of minutes Rovers should have equalised, Farrell, Flood and Fullam each missing shots. Another effort of Bohemians was well checked by Kirkland, and the latter, punting down, Fagan got away. Kerr made a poor effort to clear, and then miskicked. The Rovers' left shot the ball across; Cannon tried to clear, but Farrell dashing up headed in the equalising goal just before the short whistle.

The second half was scoreless. Both sides played good football, and Bohemians were seen to great advantage. Brooks should have scored on at least two occasions; want of steadiness in front of goal spoiling a couple of fine openings. Rovers defended stoutly, and twice good rushes by their forwards looked like materialising, but the home backs were invariably equal to the occasion, while Cannon in goal saved well. Result:—

Bohemians	1
Shamrock Rovers	1

MUNSTER SENIOR LEAGUE.

At the Fordsons' ground, Ballinlough, Cork, on Saturday, Fordsons were lucky winners by the odd goal in three in their match with Barrackton United. At half-time the teams were level, Barrackton United opening the scoring through McCarthy. Five minutes afterwards Fordsons equalised, per English. Ten minutes after the resumption Hannon put Fordsons ahead after a fine individual effort. This ended the scoring. To the final whistle Barrackton United kept the game in Fordson's end, but they were unable to get through. Result:—

Fordsons	2 goals
Barrackton United	1 goal

THE RESULTS.

I.F.S. LEAGUE.	Goals.		Goals.
Shamrock Rovers	1	Bohemians	1
Shelbourne	3	Bray Unknowns	2
Athlone	1	Brooklyn	0
Jacobs	2	Fordsons	0
Pioneers	5	St. James' Gate	3
LEINSTER SENIOR LEAGUE.			
Bohemians B	3	Civil Service	1
University College	5	Strandville	0
Shelbourne B	6	Richmond	1
Shamrock Rovers B	2	St. Paul's	1
CO. ANTRIM SHIELD.			
Linfield	3	Larne	3
Celtic	3	Ormiston	1
Queen's Island	3	Distillery	1
Cliftonville	3	Ards	1
Barn	3	Ballyclare	1
ENGLISH LEAGUE—DIVISION I.			
Bury	1	Birmingham	0
Bolton Wanderers	3	Newcastle United	2
Burnley	1	Arsenal	0
Cardiff City	2	Huddersfield Town	2
Everton	1	West Ham United	0
Manchester City	3	Leeds	0
Notts County	2	Sheffield United	0
Preston North End	3	Aston Villa	2
Sunderland	1	Blackburn Rovers	0
Spurs	1	Liverpool	1
West Brom. Albion	5	Notts Forest	1
ENGLISH LEAGUE—DIVISION II.			
Chelsea	2	Middlesbrough	0
Clapton Orient	3	Fulham	0
Crystal Palace	2	Wolves	1
Leicester City	1	South Shields	1
Manchester United	3	Bradford City	0
Oldham Athletic	1	Hull City	0
Southampton	3	Barnsley	1
Stoke	1	Derby County	1
Wednesday	5	Portsmouth	2
ENGLISH LEAGUE—DIVISION III. (N.).			
Grimsby Town	0	Crewe Alexandra	0
Halifax Town	1	Walsall	1
New Brighton	3	Wigan Borough	0
Wrexham	3	Durham City	1
Rotherham County	1	Lincoln City	1
ENGLISH LEAGUE—DIVISION III. (S.).			
Brentford	0	Watford	0
Brighton	0	Swansea Town	0
Bristol City	1	Merthyr Town	0
Luton Town	2	Newport County	2
Millwall	2	Southend United	0
Plymouth Argyle	2	Aberdare Athletic	0
F.A. CUP—SIXTH QUALIFYING ROUND.			
Doncaster Rovers	1	Southport	0
Queen's P. Rangers	1	Charlton Athletic	1
Port Vale	8	Alfreton Town	2
Darlington	1	Reading	0
Bradford	4	Crook Town	0
Accrington Stanley	1	Chesterfield	0
Hartlepools United	4	St. Albans City	0
Bristol Rovers	0	Weymouth	0
Coventry City	1	Nelson	0
Gillingham	0	Barrow	0
Norwich City	1	Rochdale	0
Exeter City	3	Barnet	0
SCOTTISH LEAGUE.			
Airdrieonians	4	Partick Thistle	1
Ayr United	2	St. Mirren	1
Cowdenbeath	4	Queen's Park	0
Dundee	2	Falkirk	1
Hearts	3	Celtic	1
Morton	1	Aberdeen	1
Motherwell	2	Raith Rovers	1
Rangers	2	Hamilton A.	0
St. Johnstone	4	Kilmarnock	2
Hibernians	2	Third Lanark	1

GAELIC GAMES.

THE HURLING CHAMPIONSHIP.

DUBLIN DEFEAT GALWAY.

Thirty-five years ago a group of men won the 1889 hurling and Gaelic football championship of Ireland. They were associated with the drapery trade of Dublin, and had adopted a name of historic significance. At Croke Park yesterday Kickhams selection again won an Irish hurling championship from last year's victors. It was a great achievement, made possible by organisation and unselfish selection.

The match was started punctually at 2 p.m. before 9,000 spectators. Galway were without M. Fox, who was injured in the game against Tipperary, and the Dublin team was at full strength. Teams:—

Dublin—Daly (goal), Bannon, Small, Kelly, Finlay, Gill, Walsh, Mockler, Aylward, O'Neill, Doherty, Holland, Banim, Howard, Barry.

Galway—Mahony (goal), Power, Gilmartin, Derwan (2), Fleming, Garvey, Kenny, Keogh, Morris, Morrissey, Harney, Gibbs, Kelly, M'Grath.

Dublin faced wind and sun in attacking the city goal. A ready understanding amongst the Dublin forwards was quickly in evidence. Within three minutes of the opening Banim accepted a chance, and he drove quickly into the Galway net. It was a score significant of Dublin's talent and cohesive training. Some fine hurling by Galway followed, and a keen, open game developed reminiscent of the great hurling of the past. In succeeding passages Galway were the superior hurlers. Kelly hit home a fine point, and when Dublin worked down again Derwan beat them back, and Harney, lifting, drove a fine ball high between the posts.

Finlay, for Dublin, had an opening, and he drove into the square. Mahony cleared, but Holland was racing in and shot unerringly into the net. Dublin were playing surprisingly well, and were using their collective skill very effectively. The city team had no passengers; they were all on their mettle, and were fighting hard for a score when Howard drove wide.

Some great work by Kenny, the Galway captain, sent his team away, and the deadly accuracy of Gibbs' shooting kept the spectators' interest engaged. He slipped clear on the left and shot a ball of great power out of Daly's reach to the net. From half-way Morris lifted, and drove another point home. Then M'Grath crossed a ball to Gibbs, and that clever forward sent in a shot elbow high for a goal. He was still in the picture for he snapped up a pass of M'Grath's to drive over the barrier. It was a fine virile half-hour's hurling, with Galway frequently in attack, though well held by a team playing with perfect understanding. Half-time score:—

Dublin—3 goals.
Galway—3 goals, 6 points.

Dublin played with a strong wind to support them, and the sun was in the Galway men's faces now, interfering with every ball which fell. Dublin attacked, and Aylward drove perfectly hit balls to Galway's area. Howard got through, driving Mahony into and under the net. The teams were level now, and the balance of the game is easily discussed. Kickhams completely dominated the situation. Aylward, Mockler, Walsh and Mockler drove into the Galway area, and the champions were pinned to their posts. Never were training and combination more completely vindicated. Kickham's team fairly smothered the champions. Aylward was in his element; with O'Neill and Finlay he lobbed balls in for his forwards to finish with power and skill. Galway rarely got away, and when they did Small, Daly and Bannon played a winning game. The Western champions resigned their title to a well trained combination. Result:—

Dublin—5 goals, 3 points.
Galway—2 goals, 6 points.

HOUSING THE POOR.

The appeal recently made by the Association for the Housing of the Very Poor for further subscriptions for shares to enable the Association to carry out its contemplated building scheme has received a generous initial response from Messrs. W. and R. Jacob and Co., Ltd., who have agreed to take up £5,000 worth of shares in the Association.

Plans are being prepared by the architect of the Association for a scheme of building in John street, and it is the intention of the directors to proceed with this scheme as soon as sufficient funds are supplied to enable them to make a start.

DUBLIN THEATRES.

PROGRAMMES FOR THIS WEEK.

The Gaiety Theatre, Dublin, will be closed for rehearsals until Friday, 26th of December, at two o'clock, when the annual pantomime, "Cinderella," will be produced by Mr. F. W. Warden. The principal artists engaged are:—Hilda Denton, Betty Le Brocke, Doris Craske, Teddie Butt, George McNaughton, Jack McNaughton, Scholey and Scholey, Malvina, Frank Varney, The Mozelle Sparkling Eight and Fred Saker and his Gaiety Band will also appear.

"Wangles of 1924," a musical comedy revue, in twelve scenes, will be presented at the Olympia Theatre to-night under the direction of Mr. Barrie Baldrick. The cast includes Fred Marsh, Mabel Mansfield, Leonard Ardale, Enid Cecile, William Breach, Nancy Hastings, Pauline Anderson, Dina Maxwell, and G. H. Carlisle, as well as the Wangles Cabaret Girls and Louie Tinsley.

The Brothers Walsh will head the variety bill this week at the Theatre Royal Hippodrome; they are comedians and eccentric dancers. George French, a character comedian, pays a return visit, as also do Ted and May Hopkins, the Welsh players, who will present the sketch, "A Village Scandal." Major Raymond Phillips, the inventor of wireless control, will give a demonstration on a portable wireless transmitter. Tunes will be played on bells with high frequency currents, and a wireless morning alarm for heavy sleepers will be included in the "turn." The other artists include the Senalag Family, Spanish singers and dancers; Adams and Adams, harmony entertainers; Nellie Ryan, soprano; and the Osbourne Trio of Equilibrists.

A triple bill of one-act pieces will be presented at the Abbey Theatre to-night. They are—"Duirtse-Dairtse," an Irish rendering of Lady Gregory's "Spreading the News"; "Fe Bhri na Mionn," a translation of Rutherford Mayne's "The Troth"; and "Heirciileas," an adaptation of a Spanish play by Adolf Recke. On Tuesday evening, and for the remainder of the week, "The Playboy of the Western World" and "Sovereign Love" will be staged.

CINEMAS.

The film to be shown at the La Scala Theatre this week is entitled "There is No Resurrection Without Death." It deals with the part played by Montenegro in the world war, and with the sufferings of her people, following Serbia's annexation of her smaller neighbour. The scenes were photographed during the war, and they depict the pillaging of village homes and the breaking up of the power of the Montenegrins. Other pictures will include a new Gazette and Paris Fashions, the latest development of the Pathé colour system. On Thursday, Friday, and Saturday George Arliss will be shown in "The Silent Voice."

"The Cheat," a production by George Fitzmaurice, in which Pola Negri takes the principal part, will be shown at the Carlton. Jack Holt fills the leading man's part, with Charles de Roche heading a strong supporting cast.

"When Dawn Came," starring Colleen Moore, is the title of the principal picture at the Princess Cinema, Rathmines. Scenes from the funeral of the late Cardinal Logue are shown in one of the supporting films. On Thursday next Gloria Swanson, in the play "Laza," will be shown.

"Chocolate Drops," a revue in five scenes, in which thirty artists appear, is this week's attraction at the Queen's Theatre. It is one of the "L. E." productions, and the cast includes among others Lewis and Ritchie (the Two Chocolates), Yvonne Aplelar (dancer), W. Delevanti (comedian), Dorothy Joyce (soprano), Lee Jerome (soubrette), Charles Charde (comedian), Jack Allen (character actor), Bert Seeley (light comedian), and the Pal Rose Orchestra.

A comedy entitled "Sherlock, Junior," with Buster Keaton as the principal actor, will be filmed at the Metropole to-day, the supporting picture being Reginald Denny in "The Oakdale Mystery."

The attraction at the Grafton Cinema this week is "The Tenth Woman," a play from Harriet Comstock's novel, with June Marlowe and Beverley Bayne in the leading parts.

FARMERS TO CONTEST CAVAN.

ELECTION PROSPECTS.

FROM OUR OWN REPORTER.

CAVAN, Saturday Night.

At a well-attended meeting of the County Cavan Executive of the Irish Farmers' Union on Saturday last the selection of a candidate to represent the Farmers' Party in the Cavan by-election was postponed to a conference to be held on Saturday, 27th December.

Delegates attended from sixteen branches, and the decision to contest the vacancy was almost unanimous, only two objecting.

Mr. P. Young (Ballyhaise), who presided, said that they had previously been asked to stand down, but the time had come when they should insist upon putting up a man in their own interests.

Mr. Pryor, acting secretary, said that the people were sick of politicians, and the Farmers' Party was the only one that could possibly save the country.

Mr. G. J. Coffey, Ballyconnell, said that if the farmers represented 75 per cent. of the wealth of the country they should put up a man. Mr. Milroy had said that terrible things would happen if they elected Mr. Baxter, and because he was disappointed in this, Mr. Milroy himself had created turmoil.

Mr. T. O'Reilly, Loughduff, said that they could not get from an imaginary "limited Republic of Ireland" more power than they had at present under the "limited Republic of the Free State."

Mr. Dowd, Corlugan, said that with half the country flooded and bad crops, there was a black outlook for the farmer, and unless the farmer saw that he was likely to gain he would not go out at all. If they got him whole-heartedly into it their candidate would win.

The meeting having decided to put forward a candidate, Mr. P. F. Baxter, T.D., pointed out that money would be required. There were many things that they could do if they were strong enough to do it.

Mr. Brady stated that at the last election the farmers' man headed the poll, and there was no reason why he should not do so again.

On the question of finance, Mr. M. F. O'Hanlon, general secretary, Farmers' Union, said that their organisation was in no worse position than any other.

Mr. Gaffney suggested that the candidate selected should pay half the expenses.

Mr. Baxter, T.D., said that £300 would be required. If their candidate was elected he would help to lower taxation.

Mr. Reilly said that there was no hope of reducing taxation at present.

Senator Butler announced that if the farmers of Cavan put forward a suitable candidate and supported him unanimously, he was authorised to state that the members of the Farmers' Party would contribute £100 towards his costs, but he must be suitable and have the unanimous support of the farmers.

On the motion of Mr. Coffey, seconded by Mr. P. J. Brady, it was resolved to go on with the contest and to appoint a committee to allocate the amount to be contributed by each branch.

When the Chairman asked for the names of likely candidates, Mr. Coffey submitted that of Mr. M. F. O'Hanlon, who, however, declined the honour on the plea that it would interfere with his work as general secretary. The names of Messrs. Patrick Smith, Henry O'Reilly, and John F. O'Hanlon were also mentioned.

ELECTION PROSPECTS.

The Cumann na nGaedheal Party has not yet entered the field. This, I believe, is due to an effort being made to reconcile differences of opinion in that organisation. The name of Mr. Phil Baxter is mentioned as the Republican nominee, but his chances of success are not regarded by independent observers as very rosy. Whether Mr. Sean Milroy will go forward again is uncertain. That he would secure a following is known, but few consider his re-election probable.

ORCHESTRAL CONCERT.

The pupils of Miss Petite O'Hara, the well known Dublin violinist, will give an orchestral concert in the Abbey Lecture Hall, Lower Abbey street, Dublin, on Thursday evening next. The orchestra of thirty-one performers will play Mendelssohn's "Son and Stranger" Overture; "The Deluge," prelude by Saint Saëns; Yarnfelt's "Praeludium," and Elgar's "Pomp and Circumstance." Miss Rhoda Coghill will contribute a group of piano solos. Several pupils will give violin solos, and Miss O'Hara will conduct.

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FROM THE LEGAL DIARY.

LAW NOTICES—Monday, December 15th.

AN PRIMH-BHREITHEAMH (Chief Justice).—In Lunacy. Before the Registrar, at 11.30 o'clock—Settle report, N. Taylor; statement, M. Sellors; summons, J. Clark. Chief Justice's Chambers. Before the Chief Clerk, at 11.30 o'clock—Cunningham minors; Tyrrell, minors. Before Dr. Webb, at 11.30 o'clock—Sullivan, minors, vch.; Moughty, minors, vouch.

AN ARD-CHUIRT BHREITHEAMHNAIS (the High Court of Justice). Court No. 1. Before Mr. Justice Meredith, at 11 o'clock. Petition—Co's Acts and Cavan Co-Operative Society. At Chambers—Campbell v. Campbell. For to-morrow (Tuesday), December 16th. Petition—In the matter of a Solicitor and the Solicitors Act (Ireland), 1898. Motions—Kenny v. Kenny; Naylor v. Naylor; Morgan v. Roe; Pringle v. M'Kenna; Milnes v. Moore; Milnes v. Moore.

In Court 2.—Before Mr. Justice Murnaghan (at conclusion of exparte motions, etc., cases). At Chambers—Keogh v. Barry; Doyle v. M'Grath; Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., v. Kirwan; Stears v. Hutchinson; Murphy v. Murphy; Jordan v. Kilkenny; S.L.A. and Bastable; J. Cassidy, decd., Cassidy v. Cassidy; Sheridan v. Sheridan; P. Doran, decd., Doran v. Doran; P. Murray, decd., Murray v. Murray; T. Maher, decd., Walsh v. Maher; Moran v. Farrell; National Bank, Ltd., v. Ring; National Land Bank, Ltd., v. Neylan; Tralee Co-Operative Society, Ltd.; F. Mackin, decd., Mackin v. Mackin; M. Hartigan, decd., Lyons v. Mennix; W. Stinson, decd., Stinson v. Stinson; S. A. Quan Smith, decd., Smith v. Grant; City of Dublin Steam Packet Co.; Lemon v. Mark; A. Farrelly, decd., Farrelly v. Farrelly; J. Dunn, decd., Wright v. Dunn; Hawkins Motor Co., Ltd. Wednesday, 17th December. At Chambers—Lowe's Trusts, Byrne v. Attorney-General. In Court. Action—Breen v. Mullen. Thursday, 18th December. Adjourned into Court—Laffan v. Ryan (witnesses).

In Court 2, at 11 o'clock—Exparte Motions. Interpleader Order—Kenny v. Steyn. On Notice (at conclusion of at Chambers' list)—Holmes v. Carroll; Faulkner v. Shiel; Kearney v. Boyle; Moloney v. Donald; O'Neill v. Powell; Berry v. Conroy; Kenny v. Steyn; Matthews and Son v. Fagan; Regan v. M'Namara; Clifford and ors. v. Crean and anor; Warren and ors. v. Bergin; M'Hugh v. M'Geown; Smith and Smiley, Ltd., v. same; O'Meara v. Morrissey and ors.

MICHAELMAS SITTINGS FOR TRIALS BY JURY.—In Court No. 4, at 11 o'clock. Dublin Circuit Court Appeals—Mary E. M'Dermott v. Elizabeth Tierney (appellant); Alliance and Dublin Consumers' Gas Co. v. Port and Docks Board (appellants); Nathan D. Levin v. Robert Hamilton (appellant); Francis Noone v. Maurice F. Carr (appellant); Patrick J. Byrne (applt.) v. Rachel Burnstein; Joseph Hade (appellant) v. Rachel Burnstein; Dublin Artisans' Dwellings' Co., Ltd., v. Ellen Byrne (appellant); Winifred Butler v. Edward O'Byrne (appellant); John Hanna v. Irish Theatrical and General Advertising Co., Ltd. (appellants); Michael O. O'Brien v. John T. Denham (appellant).

Chambers No. 1. Room 38 (at the conclusion of Campbell v. Campbell, in Court No. 1)—Cunningham v. Meehan; Quirke v. Heffernan; Donovan v. M'Carthy; Maher v. Connors; Kealy v. Kealy; Fox v. Fox; Walshe v. Nealon. Before the Assistant Chief Clerk—Coulon v. Morgan, vouch.

AN CHUIRT BHREITHIUNAIS CHUARDA (Circuit Court of Justice).—At Court No. 5, Dublin Castle, at 11 o'clock—Damage to Property (Compensation) Act, 1923. Applicants—Thomas Lawson, Sir Horace Plunkett, J. F. Stokes, Teresa West, W. H. James, Hibernian Bible Society, R. McVittie, Josephine O'Farrell, E. Monks, S. B. Smith, F. Timoney, John Gardner, James Byrne, A. Lowry, James Moore, Arthur Hamilton, Andrew Farrington, Marion O'Rourke, Kevin Barry Memorial, Ellen R. Doheny, W. P. Byrne, Florence O'Farrell, Irish Direct Trading Company, Craig, Gardiner and Company; Margaret Doyle, Scot and Co., Ltd., John Mackey, William Coffey, Julia Nee. For to-morrow (Tuesday), 16th December. List of Claims—J. H. Victor, Charles T. Lewis, John Norman, Francis Keenan, R. Russell, T.C.D.; John Walters, Clarence L. Taylor, R. Taaffe, Maguire's Civil Service College, John Wilson, Mitchell and Son, Kathleen Gilbert, Elizabeth Bullock, E. W. Devine, Martin Nolan, Annie Hough, M. J. Roberts, William Schuffe, William O'Connor, M. J. Magennis, Margaret Fagan, Joseph Williams, Henry Hughes, Margaret Wade, Mary W. Kavanagh, E. H. Holland, T. J. Fitzpatrick, Annie M'Evoy, Hugh O'Rourke, Eastman's, Ltd., Maurice Lambe, Thomas Martin, Michael Kennedy, R. Cowan, Mollie Meagher, Annie M'Nally, Mary J. M'Gowan, Thomas Haskins, John Parsons, Marion Power. For Wednesday next, 17th December—At Green street—Polack v. Marks; Avon India Rubber Co. v. Kelly; Bell v. Furey; Burke v. American Feather Co.; Barry v. Walsh and others; Byrne v. Farrell; Costello v. Browne; Cathcart v. Sherwood; Cleary v. Dept. of A. and T. I.; Deegan v. Callaghan Dixon v. Brennan; Fitzsimonds v. Brady-Browne; Gorman v. M'Ritchie; Guilfoyle v. Kernan; Hall v. Downes; Hehir v. Elberry; Harris v. D.S.E. Railway Co.; Hunt v. Roddy; Hayman v. Burns.

COIMISIUN CUIRTEANNA DHAIL EIREANN CRIOCHU GNOTHA (Dail Eireann Courts (Winding Up) Commission).—Before the Chief Judicial Commissioner and Mr. Commissioner C. S. Kenny—In Court No. 1, Dail Courts, Commission Buildings, Caisleán, Bla Cliath, at 11 o'clock. Appeals for Hearing—Dublin Corporation v. White (and 10 other appeals); Molloy v. Brogan. For Tuesday, 16th December—Appeal. For Hearing—Ryan v. Hanley. For Wednesday, 17th December. For Directions—Cotter v. Hayes. Motions—Skehan v. Skehan; Mannion and another v. Harte. For Hearing—Clonmel Corporation v. Stokes and Quirke; Cunniskey v. King and another. Appeal. For Hearing—Pennington v. Healy.

CONSOLIDATED TAXING OFFICE.—Master Kilbride, at 11 o'clock—Hague v. Caldwell, Hague, a bankrupt, J. G. M'Grath; Roycroft v. Dukelow, J. T. Wolfe. Master Denning, at 11 o'clock—Brophy and Conveyancing Act, Brown and M'Cann; M'Ateer v. M'Ateer, T. Maguire. Master Macnamara, at 11 o'clock. Ex Parte Taxations—Maxwell to Goddard, N. Goddard and Davidson; FitzHerbert, decd., C. Lloyd and Son.

CHAMBERS NO. 2.—Room 59—At 11 o'clock—P. Nolan, decd., Nolan v. Nolan.

COURT OF THE RAILWAY TRIBUNAL.—Thursday, 1st January. In the Council Chamber, City Hall, Dublin, at 11 o'clock—In the matter of the settlement of the Great Southern Railways Amalgamation Scheme, 1925.

RECEIVER OFFICE.—Mr. Dickinson, Examiner, at 11 o'clock. Applications for Directions—National Bank v. Conway, from 27th ultimo; National Bank v. Flanagan, from 27th ultimo. At 11.30 o'clock. Receivers' Accounts—Palmer v. Fitzmaurice, from 4th inst.; T. T. Mecredy and Sons; Byrne v. Byrne, T. C. Ross; Barth Culligan and ors., M. Killeen; Fitzgerald v. Davoren, from 8th inst., J. R. Peart; Healy v. Doughty, from 11th inst., C. Lloyd and Son; Johnston, Joseph, from 11th inst., C. Lloyd and Son; Charles D. O'Rourke, E. and G. Stapleton.

BANKRUPTCY.—Before the Chief Registrar, at 11 o'clock—Arrangt., ac. comp., A. Cox and Co.; Dunne, vch. ac.; Thompson and Edwards; Monaghan, reference, W. H. Dunne; Peters, ac. comp., W. V. Seddall; arrangt., do., Horan and Devine; Dempsey, vch. ac., Collins and Son; Ryan, settle postings, J. Tweedy; White, settle postings, and condts. of sale, Collins and Son; do. ac. comp., P. M. Seales; M'Auley, pr. dts. and vch. T. F. Farley; arrangt., ac. comp., Little and Cullen; do. do., Molloy, Fayle and Co.; Mooney, vch. intrst. ac., Collins and Son; do. ac. comp., do.

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.—At Examiners' Chambers—Before Mr. Stubbs, at 11 o'clock—Alexander J. Crichton (E.C. 6821), vouch. At 12 o'clock—Elizabeth M. Brook (E.C. 6859), vch. from 12th inst. At 12.30 o'clock—Thomas F. Cosby (E.C. 6285), vouch. Before Mr. Sullivan, at 11 o'clock—H. C. Stanley (E. 198), discharge rulings. Before Mr. Franks, at 11 o'clock—William Fagan (E.C. 10058), vouch. Before Mr. Longfield, at 11 o'clock—H. E. L. Vallois Smyth and anor. (E.C. 3360), vouch. At 3.30 o'clock—H. A. H. Fenton and anor. (E.C. 8005), vouch. Before Mr. Byatt, at 11 o'clock—David B. Jacob (E.C. 7666), discharge rulings. At 3 o'clock—Admiral Whyte and ors. (E.C. 6267), discharge rulings. Before Mr. Grove White, at 11 o'clock—Ralph C. R. Gray (S. 849), discharge rulings. At 2.30 o'clock—Thomas M'Cormick and anor. (E.C. 9525), discharge rulings.

On Saturday the ss. Skegness, built to the order of Sir William Reardon Smith and Sons, Cardiff, by Messrs. Workman, Clark, successfully underwent a series of trials in Belfast Lough. The vessel is of the shelter deck type, with top-gallant forecastle, and has a length of 415 feet and beam of 54 feet, with a gross tonnage of 4,570. The machinery, which was also constructed by Messrs. Workman, Clark, consists of one set of vertical inverted, direct acting, surface condensing, triple expansion engines.

XMAS GIFTS.
UNDERWEAR.

Camisoles, Fancy Shetland	3/11	4/11	
Do., Artificial Silk	1/11	3/11	4/11
Cami Knickers, Jap Schappe	10/11	16/11	
Nightgowns, Jap Schappe	16/11	21/9	
Boudoir Caps, Crepe-de-Chine.			
Dressing Jackets, All Wool	5/11	10/11	
Underskirts, Princess, all kinds.			
Slippers, Bedroom.	2/6	3/11	5/11
Pyjamas, all kinds, all shapes.			
Hand-Made French Sets of Underwear.			
Vests, Artificial Silk	4/11	5/11	8/11
„ Milanese	8/11	12/11	16/11
Knickers, Artificial Silk	4/11	5/11	7/11
„ Milanese	12/11	16/11	18/11
Nightgown, Artificial Silk	23/6	25/11	
Do., Dainty Shetland	12/6	23/6	

NEWELL'S,
76 GRAFTON STREET.

DUBLIN WEEKLY TRADE REPORT.

EXPORTS OF PORTER.

Messrs. A. Guinness, Sons and Co.'s shipments of port from Dublin, as returned by the Customs daily shipping lists for the past week, were:—

Butts.	Hhds.	Brls.	Hf. Brls.	Qr. Brls.
2,784	19,131	1,438	5,971	1,127

Corresponding week's shipments for previous three years:

	Butts.	Hhds.	Brls.	Hf. Brls.	Qr. Brls.
1923...	988	8,911	324	367	136
1922...	1,659	13,003	525	471	141
1921...	1,298	7,804	324	130	24

The above exports are equal to 27,833 hhds. for 1924, as against 11,249 hhds. for 1923, 16,852 hhds. for 1922, and 10,663 hhds. for 1921.

The following quantities of porter were also shipped from Dublin by the various firms named, as returned by the Customs daily shipping lists, for the week ending December 13th, 1924:—

	Bts.	Hhds.	Brls.	Hf. Brls.	Qr. Brls.	Total. Hhds.
Watkins Jameson&Co....	—	27	91	331	50	207
Mountjoy Brewery Co.	—	—	—	—	—	—
D'Arcy & Son	—	34	—	—	—	34
Total	—	61	91	331	50	241

Others 14,284 gallons.

Corresponding week's shipments for previous three years:—

	Bts.	Hhds.	Brls	Hf. Brls.	Qr. Brls.	Total Hhds.
1923 ...	—	33	99	285	28	192
1922 ...	—	13	84	160	22	126
1921 ...	—	59	81	188	10	161

EXPORTS OF WHISKEY.

The quantities of whiskey exported from Dublin, as returned by the Customs daily shipping lists and bills of entry, for the week ending December 13th, 1924, were as follow:—Messrs. Jameson, 1,944 gallons; Power, 253 gallons; Dublin Distillers Co, 4,841 gallons. Others 6,872 gallons.

Corresponding week's shipments for the previous three years:—

1923 ... Dublin Distillers, 9,836 gallons; Jameson, 3,636 gallons; Power, 216 gallons; Daly, 2,572 gallons.

	Pns.	Butts.	Hhds.	Cks.	Qr.-Cks.	Octs.	Kegs
1922 ...	10	35	12	10	15	8	—

FOREIGN IMPORTS.

From Casa Blanca—2,000 tons phosphate. From New York—558 gallons refined lubricating oil. From Hamburg—Rock salt, cod liver oil, fibre, paper, cups and saucers, carpenter tools, felt hats. From Portland—118,000 qrs. wheat. From Rotterdam—7 cwts. margarine. From Bremen—180 tons kainit. From Ghent—100 tons cement, 800 tons fertilisers, 38 cwts. electrical cable. From Rotterdam—40 cwts. woodwool, 677 cwts. margarine, 400 cwts. onions, 15 tons strawboards, 24 cwts. stationery, 20 tons calcium carbide. From Antwerp—Starch and sheet glass, electrical goods, nails and staples, iron nails, jute matting, fertilisers, feeding stuffs, wrapping paper brushes. From cross-Channel ports 23,559 tons of coal arrived per 56 collier vessels.

"STUPENDOUS PROSPERITY."

"A wave of stupendous prosperity, which will be reflected in increased trade and business relations with Europe, is sweeping the United States."

This statement was made by Sir Thomas Lipton, who has just returned to England in the United States liner Leviathan after a stay of some weeks in America. Americans, said Sir Thomas, are becoming a race of tea drinkers since the advent of prohibition.

The Irish Commercial Travellers' Federation expressed satisfaction at the appointment of Mr. Matthew O'Flanagan, a former chairman of the organisation, to the new railway panel.

PUBLIC MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

NEED TO END JOBBERY.

MR. MAUNSELL ON METHODS OF ELECTION.

At the prize distribution at the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, the President (Mr. R. C. B. Maunsell) said that an end must be put to the jobbery connected with the making of public medical appointments in the Free State. Every student should seek experience as house surgeon or house physician as a qualification for appointments at home or as recommendations when seeking employment abroad.

Addressing the prize-winners, Mr. Maunsell said—"I must utter a word of warning to clever students: do not become 'pot-hunters.' 'Pot-hunting' unbalances your work, and there are few evils in a profession greater than premature specialisation. To those of you who have completed the first half of your course I would say: think of no prize except the priceless prize of election as a resident pupil in the hospital to which you are attached for clinical instruction. It does not matter how many prizes you may win in theoretical medicine or surgery, you will not develop the best that is in you unless you live in a hospital and study the patients as individuals.

SECRET OF IRISH SUCCESS.

"The system of electing resident pupils who work for the visiting staff, under the supervision of the resident surgeon or resident physician, is a distinctively Irish system, and it is the chief reason why our young qualified men and women are such an immediate success when they take up appointments in England or elsewhere. The whole secret is that they know how to examine a sick person and they have confidence in themselves.

"If you wish to be anything better than the average you must serve for a year as house surgeon or house physician after your qualification. This is the time when you will learn the meaning of responsibility, the willingness to undertake responsibility, and the ability to undertake it successfully. This is the time in which the quality which is popularly called 'nerve' is developed in you.

TO END "JOBBERY."

"The truth and importance of this fact has been recognised in a remarkable manner quite recently. A most important and far-reaching change has been tried in the method of election to public medical appointments in the Free State. It is, unfortunately, a matter of general knowledge that election to these positions in many cases depended upon local influence, and in some cases it has been alleged that bribery formed part of that influence.

"To defeat this intolerable condition of affairs the experiment has been tried of having these elections decided by a board consisting of a representative from each of the qualifying bodies, with the chairman of the county council as chairman of the board. Up to the present three elections have been decided in Dublin by this method, and in each election the candidate chosen had held the position of house surgeon. The board make no secret of their opinion that this fact outweighs almost every other consideration.

"This method of election is the greatest attempt which has been made to break the back of 'jobbery.' It is not yet perfected, but I hope that this method, or something similar, will be applied throughout the Free State.

"It is obvious," Mr. Maunsell continued, "that, if you wish to have a good chance of obtaining an appointment in your native land, it is absolutely necessary to have held the position of house surgeon or house physician. Unfortunately, only a few can hope to hold such a position in Free State hospitals, but numbers of our young men and women are each year appointed to such positions in the large provincial infirmaries throughout England, and often in the smaller hospitals in London, so gaining the inestimable experience which will be, almost certainly, a necessary qualification for any important appointments in the Free State."

THE PRIZE LIST.

The prizes awarded for the winter session, 1923-24, and the summer session, 1924, were as follow:—

Biology—First Prize and Medal, Thomas J. McHugh. Second Prize and Certificate, Solomon Goldfoot.

Chemistry—No award.

Physics—No award.

Practical Chemistry—No award.

Practical Anatomy (Senior)—First Prize and Medal, J. Tackney. Second Prize and Certificate, F. Lundie.

Practical Anatomy (Junior)—First Prize and Medal, F. H. Lavelle. Second Prize and Certificate, S. C. Mattock.

Systematic Anatomy—First Prize and Medal, J. Tackney. Second Prize and Certificate, A. A. Fung.

Surface and Topographical Anatomy—First Prize and Medal, G. W. Lochtie. Second Prize and Certificate, T. Simpson.

Stoney Memorial Gold Medal—J. Tackney.

Dental Anatomy—First Prize and Medal, P. T. Mackey. Second Prize and Certificate—G. V. Lavelle.

Physiology—First Prize and Medal, J. Tackney. Second Prize and Certificate, F. Lavelle.

Histology—First Prize and Medal, P. W. Warren. Second Prize and Certificate—T. J. Gilmartin.

Pathology—First Prize and Medal, Miss B. Kiernan. Second Prize and Certificate, Mrs. M. Ryan.

Materia Medica and Therapeutics—First Prize and Medal, J. Owens. Second Prize and Certificate, W. Kingsberg, C. O'Kelly.

Hygiene and Forensic Medicine—First Prize and Medal, W. Kingsberg. Second Prize and Certificate, no award.

Midwifery—First Prize and Medal, Mrs. M. Ryan. Second Prize and Certificate, no award.

Medicine—First Prize and Medal, W. M. Watson. Second Prize and Certificate, W. D. Martin, T. W. Wilson.

Surgery—First Prize and Medal, C. Keating. Second Prize and Certificate, J. Shiel.

Operative Surgery—First Prize (Gold Medal), C. Keating. Second Prize (Silver Medal), P. J. Mulcahy.

MacNaughton-Jones Gold Medal—E. J. A. Dougan.

DEMAND FOR RELEASE OF "POLITICAL" PRISONERS.

Following small meetings outside some of the Dublin churches yesterday, there was a demonstration of protest against the detention of "political" prisoners in the Irish Free State, Belfast and England, in Sackville street yesterday afternoon. A procession with bands, from Mountjoy to Sackville street, attracted a crowd, and in Sackville street speeches were made from two platforms.

At the principal platform Mrs. Despard presided.

Mr. George Daly said that the object of the meeting was not political, but to secure the release of those men whose only offence was that they had remained true to their principles in the demand for an independent Ireland.

Mrs. Sheehy Skeffington said that the Government had announced an amnesty on the eve of the election in South Dublin, but had failed to keep its terms, as 104 political prisoners were still detained in the Free State. There were, in addition, 70 detained by the Belfast Government, and 34 in England.

A resolution demanding the release of these prisoners was put to the meeting and declared passed.

DUBLIN AND THE PROVINCES.

DUBLIN.

ARMED ROBBERS' HAUL.—Last Saturday afternoon an official in the employment of Messrs. Williams and Woods, jam manufacturers, Dublin, was "held up" by two armed men in Loftus lane and robbed of £103, wages which he was taking from one department to another.

MISSING COLLEGE PROPERTY.—In the Dublin District Court on Saturday, Daniel O'Connell, 8 St. Thomas's terrace, was remanded on a charge of stealing two overcoats, gloves, scarves and a stethescope, to the value of £26, from the hall of the School of Pathology, Trinity College.

SALE OF WORK.—In the unavoidable absence of Mrs. Lewis-Crosby, the sale of work in aid of the funds of the Church Mission to Jews was opened on Saturday in 16 Harcourt street, Dublin, by Miss Netta Darley. The following presided over the stalls:—Miss Bardon, Miss Porter, Miss Bible, Miss Elliot, Miss Day, Miss Moncrieff, Miss McClelland, Miss Williams, Miss Carnegie, Misses Warren, Miss H. Weinberger, Miss Ruby and Miss Pilkington.

HIBERNIAN CATCH CLUB.—Mr. Arthur Jackson, D.L., President, occupied the chair at the monthly meeting of the Hibernian Catch Club in the Mills Hall, Dublin. Mr. Frederick Dawson, the well-known pianist, delighted all present by his rendering of several pianoforte pieces. The Rev. Precentor Wilson referred in sympathetic terms to the loss sustained by the death of the Rev. T. T. Gray, Vice-Provost of Trinity College, who had been a member of the club for thirty-seven years. The musical programme rendered by the Vicars-choral consisted of glees by Mendelssohn, Vaughan Williams, Sullivan and German. The members were greatly gratified by the statement made by the Honorary Secretary, Dr. George Hewson, that the year 1924 had been one of the most successful since the foundation of the club in 1680 by reason of the numbers attending the meetings and the number of new members enrolled.

ST. VINCENT'S HOSPITAL.—A sale of violet emblems in aid of St. Vincent's Hospital is in progress in Dublin. Yesterday the Transport Workers' band paraded the city, accompanied by sellers. They marched to Croke Park, where a large crowd had assembled to witness the all-Ireland hurling final. They had hoped to be allowed to collect on the ground, but that was not permitted, and the band returned to the hospital, where selections of Irish airs and other music were played. The violets will be sold in Dublin up to Thursday next.

PASSENGERS BY B. AND I. LINE, VIA LIVERPOOL.

ARRIVALS.—P. Beattie, Major R. Phillips, Mrs. Phillips, C. M. D. Maguire, Dr. J. B. Maguire, C. Ball, D. Moore, F. Cuddy, L. Boden, H. Williams, W. Holton, Mrs. Banks, G. Smith, Captain Robinson, J. J. Atkinson, W. G. Smith, T. Twomy, D. Brabazon, G. F. Shannon, J. A. Goslyn, W. Williamson, P. Kelly, F. Barrett, M. Murray, G. McMorrough, H. McMorrough.

DEPARTURES.—C. Sheahan, J. H. McLean, J. Scholfield, Mrs. Wall, Captain Russell Maguire, R. Cronhelm, T. McGrath, W. Clear.

LEINSTER.

MALTING BARLEY PRICES.—Malting barley at Tullamore is quoted at 21s. a barrel. At the beginning of the season it was 27s.

TRESPASS ON AN ESTATE.—When three men were charged at Tullamore with the larceny of timber from Charleville estate it was stated that the place was destroyed by trespassers and young trees were being cut.

LAND COMMISSION DECREES.—The Irish Land Commission obtained fifty-six decrees at the Enniscorthy District Court against farmers for instalments of purchase annuities or compounded arrears of rent.

ILLEGAL POSSESSION.—William Colch, James Ryan, and James Duffy were fined at Tullamore for being in illegal possession of rabbits, the property of Lady Bury, Charleville demesne. They had five dogs, a ferret, and ten rabbits.

BREADVAN DRIVER ROBBED.—Charles Fitzsimons, a Dundalk breadvan driver, when coming from Ardee on Friday night, was set upon by three men when he dismounted to give bread to a little boy. The men severely assaulted him, and took £8 from his cash bag.

FOOD PRICES IN NEWBRIDGE.—At Newbridge on Saturday eggs were sold in the shops at 3s. 4d. per dozen, best creamery butter 2s. 3d., and farmers' butter 1s. 10d. per lb.; local bread is delivered at 6d. and Dublin bread at 5½d. per 2lb. loaf, and milk delivered at 6d. per quart.

POLICE CHIEF IN COUNTY KILDARE.—General O'Duffy, Chief Commissioner of the Civic Guard, paid a visit of inspection to the Kilcullen Civic Guard Barracks during last week. The Chief Commissioner expressed himself well pleased with everything in the station, which is in charge of Sergeant Griffin.

MISSING BICYCLES.—At the Kildare District Court a young man named Joseph M'Galey was sent for trial, charged with the larceny of a bicycle, the property of Peter Coyne, Lumville; a bicycle, the property of Corporal James M'Tiernan, Military Police, and a bicycle, the property of Miss Smyth, Athgarvan.

ESTATE DIVIDED.—The estate of Major Hamilton, at Kilbreedy, Rathdowney, containing about 170 Irish acres, has been divided among tenants who had small holdings. The farms have been enlarged by from six to twenty acres.

KILBEGGAN ASSAULT CHARGE.—Guard William Heffernan, a member of the Kilbeggan Force, was at Ferbane Court fined 20s., and a young man, Patrick Smith, who was in his company, a similar sum, for unlawfully entering the dwellinghouse of Edward Keegan, Ferbane, and for assault. The defendants said that they entered the house because they had heard a woman's screams.

NO EVIDENCE OF MALICE.—Holding that the fact of his having a son in the National Army was not sufficient evidence to establish malice, Judge Sealy dismissed the claim of Mr. P. J. Phelan, merchant and farmer, Inistioge, for compensation for the burning of a rick of hay. The applicant and Sergeant Hannon swore that his premises were raided several times by the Republicans after his son joined the National Army.

MUNSTER.

FALSE BENEFIT DECLARATION.—At Limerick on Saturday John Hehir and Edward McNamara were prosecuted by the Minister for Industry and Commerce for making a false declaration in order to obtain unemployment benefit on various dates. It was stated that the defendants were in employment on dates for which claims were made. Hehir was fined 40s., and McNamara was sent to gaol for a month.

INJURED HORSE SHOT.—Early on Sunday morning a motor car going along Infirmary road, Cork, collided with a horse-drawn travelling van. The horse was so badly injured that it was necessary to get the military to shoot it. The motor car was not damaged.

FIRE IN PRINTING WORKS.—At about one-thirty on Sunday morning the Cork Fire Brigade received a call to the premises of the Shandon Printing Works, in Drawbridge street. They found that the fire had occurred through ashes on the hearth having set fire to some paper on the first floor. After half an hour's hard work the brigade succeeded in extinguishing the fire.

CORK STRIKE SETTLED.—The strike at Messrs. Goulding's Works, in Cork, has been settled. The men accepted the terms which were offered on November 10th, namely, a reduction of 3s. per week, making the minimum wage 55s. for a week of 48 hours.

MIDLETON POSTAL DELIVERIES.—Writing to the Midleton Urban Council regarding the suspension, three months ago, of the mid-day mail delivery to parts of the town other than the main street, the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs states that arrangements have been sanctioned for the restoration of this service to all parts of the town as from Monday, 15th inst.

ULSTER.

ALLEGED PERSONATION AT AN ELECTION.—Patrick Tinney, aged 17, of Drumkeen, Donegal, was charged at the Raphoe District Court with personation at the recent Donegal by-election. The justice adjourned the case for a month to give the defendant an opportunity of getting a solicitor.

A £25 FINE.—When John McCreedy, of Corradooey, was charged at the Raphoe District Court with the unlawful possession of an illicit still and a half pint of poteen, he said that he knew nothing about the still, and asked for leniency. The police stated that the still was found on his land, and he had the poteen in his pocket. He was fined £25, or three months' imprisonment. One of the Civic Guard said that these fines were usually paid by public subscription.

POTEEN IN A FIELD.—At Raphoe District Court two brothers named Patrick and George Logue, of Glenealy, were charged with the possession of about two gallons of poteen, which the Civic Guard stated were found in a field, the property of Patrick Logue, about fifty yards from the house. The defendants denied all knowledge of the poteen. Regarding the charging of George with the offence, because he was the brother of the owner of the land, Mr. Boyle, solicitor, said that "Buckshot" Foster in his worst days never attempted to do that sort of thing. The cases were dismissed.

THE WRONG SIDE OF THE BORDER.—At the Raphoe District Court, John Todd of Listymore, County Tyrone, was charged with importing firearms over the border, and Solomon Moorehead, of Fern, Donegal, was charged with being in possession of a double-barrel sporting gun without a permit. Mr. Magee, solicitor, said that his clients were only out "trying" a dog, and, just over the Free State border, fired one shot in the fields, and a guard, who happened to be on duty with a bailiff, took them to the Civic Guard station. The justice discharged the defendants under the Probation of Offenders Act. The guns and amunition were forfeited.

Mr. J. J. McKevitt, Bank of Ireland, Tullamore, has been transferred to the College Green Office, Dublin.

Mr. M. D. Egan, Kyle, Roscrea, Chairman of the Roscrea No. 3 Rural District Council and a County Councillor, has been appointed a Peace Commissioner.

Mr. Arthur Claud Richardson, B.A.I., T.C.D., has died in Ceylon, where he held the position of Assistant Superintendent of Surveys, aged 36 years. He was a nephew of the late Sir William Blunden, Bart., Castle Blunden, Co. Kilkenny, and of the Venerable Archdeacon Becher, Lorum Rectory, Bagenalstown.

The *Liverpool Courier* states that Mr. E. Deery is at the top of the English Law Society's November Honours List. Mr. Deery is the son of Mr. P. J. Deery, for many years a member of the Liverpool Corporation. By his mother's side he is nephew to the Rev. E. J. Quigley, P.P., Newbliss, Co. Monaghan, and Mr. James Quigley, Chief Engineering Inspector, Irish Trunk Road scheme.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

AUGHNACLOY WATER WORKS.—The Clogher Rural Council, on Saturday, decided to proceed with a scheme costing £1,200 for improving the Augnacloy water supply.

SUCCESSFUL SALE OF WORK.—Close on £400 was realised at a two days' sale of work in aid of St. Macartan's Church, Clogher, on Thursday and Friday.

SCARLATINA OUTBREAK.—Seven scarlatina patients—five from one family—were admitted to the Clogher Fever Hospital during the past week.

BELFAST BOY KILLED.—Hugh Mullan (14), a Belfast newsboy, was fatally injured on Friday evening by falling from a motor lorry. He and other boys ran after the lorry in York street, and swung from its sides and rear. Mullan fell and one of the wheels passed over him. He died a quarter of an hour later in hospital.

TENANTS ASK FOR REDUCED RENT.—Meetings of tenants, over 100 in number, on the Dungannon School Estate, have petitioned the landlords to allow them an abatement of 50 per cent. in their rents, owing to the deplorable state of the harvest, the potato, oat and hay crops having been ruined. The tenants' holdings are situate between Coalisland, Stewartstown, and Lough Neagh.

RECREATION GROUND FOR WARRENPOINT.—By the casting vote of the Chairman (Mr. T. H. Caulfield, J.P.), the Warrenpoint Urban Council, on Friday night, decided to petition the Ministry of Home Affairs in Northern Ireland to hold a local inquiry into the proposal of the Council to compulsorily acquire land for a recreation ground for summer visitors. The cost is estimated at from £2,500 to £3,500, and the Great Northern Railway Company have signified their willingness to contribute £50 a year for five years towards the project.

CLOGHER GUARDIANS' ELECTIONS.—Mr. A. J. Hadden, J.P., Vice-Chairman, was elected Chairman, on Saturday, of the Clogher Guardians, in succession to the late Senator Montgomery, Major-General Montgomery, C.B., G.C.M.G., being elected Vice-Chairman and Chairman of the Rural Council. Major Stewart, M.C., was appointed a member of the County Council.

£600 COSTUMES THEFTS.—More than £600 worth of mantles and costumes have been stolen from the show-rooms of an agent in Belfast during the past five months. The victim of these robberies is Mr. Joseph Turkington, 43 Chichester street, the Irish agent of a leading drapery manufacturer. The latest raid was carried out with great audacity. The thieves first attempted to force the door with a chisel, but, failing to succeed, they cut out the panel with a saw. The showrooms were ransacked, and the thieves managed to escape with £200 worth of costumes, coats, and ladies' attire.

THE CHURCH OF IRELAND.

The Scott Prize Essay has been awarded to the Rev. J. B. Tarleton, Incumbent of Ballyshannon. This is the second time that Mr. Tarleton has obtained this prize.

A Lamp of Maintenance was presented last Saturday by the Prince of Wales to delegates of the Belfast branch of the "Toc. H." It is called the "Three Brothers' Lamp," and was presented in memory of three brothers who fell in the Great War—Ernest Hewitt, Lieutenant of the 4th Battalion, K.O.R.I.R.; Holt Hewitt, Lieutenant, and William Hewitt, Lieutenant, of the Inniskilling Fusiliers.

Permission has been given by the Diocesan Council of Killala and Achonry to the Select Vestry of the Union of Emlaghfad and Killaraght to sell the material of the disused church at Ballaghadereen, and the plot of ground on which it stood, subject to a provision safeguarding the graves.

The Parish of Mothel, in the diocese of Ossory, is vacant, owing to the Rev. G. K. Birmingham's acceptance of the Curacy of Drumlease, in the Diocese of Kilmore.

The Rev. R. T. Hearn has been appointed Canon of St. Finn Barre's Cathedral, Cork, and of St. Foughan's Cathedral, Ross.

The Curacy of Carrickfergus is vacant.

Canon Thornton Duesbery, who has been appointed to the Bishopric of Sodor and Man, is a graduate of Trinity College, Dublin. He was one of the founders of the Dublin University Christian Association, which developed into the Student Christian Movement.

ECCLESIASTICAL APPOINTMENTS.

The Most Rev. Dr. Byrne, Archbishop of Dublin, has made the following appointments:—

The Very Rev. John Jones, P.P., Kilcullen, to be Vicar Forane of the Blessington Deanery.

The Rev. Thomas W. O'Ryan, C.C., Goldenbridge, to be Parish Priest of Garristown and Rolestown.

The Rev. Michael Cronin, M.A., D.D., Professor of Ethics, University College, Dublin, to be Canon of the Metropolitan Chapter and Parish Priest of Rathgar.

The Very Rev. Patrick Boylan, M.A., D.D., D. Litt., Vice President, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, to be Canon of the Metropolitan Chapter.

INSURANCE MEN AND THE STATE.

NEED OF BETTER CREDIT.

THE CASE OF FREE STATE DOCTORS.

The Insurance Institute of Ireland held its dinner at the Shelbourne Hotel, Dublin, on Saturday last. Mr. Cecil J. Macdougald, President of the Institute, was in the chair, and the guests present included Senator J. G. Douglas, Sir William de Courcy Wheeler, Mr. A. J. Atkinson, Mr. W. Jefferson, Mr. G. Reynolds, and Major W. P. Campbell, M.C.

Mr. Atkinson, as President of the Chartered Insurance Institute, and Mr. Macdougald, as President of the Insurance Institute of Ireland, responded to the toast of those bodies, proposed by Mr. F. C. Sharpe. Mr. Macdougald said that the Insurance Institute of Ireland was founded in 1885, and, with the exception of the corresponding bodies at Manchester and Edinburgh, was the oldest insurance institute. The main aim of the institute was to promote efficiency through education.

CONFIDENCE IN THE STATE.

Senator Douglas responded to the toast, "Irish Trade and Commerce." He said that no satisfactory progress for trade and commerce could be expected until they felt confidence and security in the State. He cared little from the trade point of view whether they called the country a Free State or a Republic; but what was necessary was confidence and security in the State. The premium they had to pay for that security was support of the State. They had to be prepared to vote and to take a real interest in affairs. The man who would not vote when faced with two candidates—one prepared to accept the liabilities of the State, to carry out its obligations, financial, political, and otherwise; and the other ready to repudiate its agreements and duties—was like a man who would not pay his insurance premium. They would have credit only if they kept their obligations and stood to their contracts. In that respect—he spoke of Ireland as a whole—they had not in trade and commerce as good a name as they ought to have. In the United States lately he had met many men of Irish sympathies; but sympathy with Ireland was not going to make those men buy bad butter, and they were not going to do business unless they had assurance that a contract was going to be kept. Irish citizens must co-operate to get a better credit for the State. Better co-operation was also needed in Labour matters. In spite of present difficulties, there were among Irish Labour leaders men who were anxious to recognise that unless there was confidence between employers and employed we could not have the requisite security. In Ireland they could not pay wages as high as those paid in other countries, nor as high as they would like; and higher wages could only come with security and co-operation. They must have the confidence that bargains would be kept on both sides.

There were men in the present Government of the Free State who had shown courage and ability through the greatest possible difficulties. Persons who represented trade and commerce would get assistance from them, but had got to give the Government assistance in their turn. Criticism there should be, but it should not be continual nagging and fault-finding.

STORY OF THE OUZEL GALLEY.

Dr. W. Lombard Murphy, President of the Dublin Chamber of Commerce, also responded, and recalled the circumstances under which the Chamber of Commerce was founded as a result of an insurance dispute. Somewhere about the end of the seventeenth century, he said, a vessel called the Ouzel Galley sailed out of Dublin Bay with a cargo and a Dublin crew. It was captured by Algerine pirates, who took the cargo and forced the crew to assist in their piratical exploits. On the ground that the ship and cargo were lost, the owners got the insurance company to pay on the loss. About two years later the crew overcame their captors and brought the vessel back to Dublin. In the meantime the ship had become filled with a cargo much more valuable than that with which it had started out. The insurance company claimed it on the ground that they had paid the owners for it. The owners, on the other hand, said: "It is our ship; it is not lost, after all. We will give back what you have paid and keep the ship and cargo." There ensued a long dispute, which was finally settled through a committee of Dublin business men brought together to arbitrate on the question. That committee continued in existence as the Ouzel Galley Society, and arbitrated in similar disputes. Out of that society the Dublin Chamber of Commerce was formed.

Trade and commerce depended ultimately, Dr Murphy said, on confidence. It was only natural, after what the country had been through, that confidence should be lacking; but each in his own way should endeavour to produce the confidence of which we were in need.

Mr. W. P. Sherriff proposed the health of the President and Secretary of the Institute, who replied.

THE MEDICAL REGISTER.

Responding for the guests (proposed by Mr. W. A. R. Cruise), Sir William de Courcy Wheeler said that in connection with the difficult problems surrounding the question of the future *status* of Free State doctors in other countries he had always been an optimist, and had said so publicly many times in the last four years. There were difficult technical bunkers to be got over; but the interests of England and Ireland in this matter were identical, and it needed only good statesmanship to decide on the form of settlement. He could understand the anxiety of those who feared a hitch or breakdown in the negotiations, but those negotiations were carried on by able men, who were doing everything possible on both sides of the Channel to bring about a satisfactory solution.

Just before the dinner he had met Mr. McGilligan in the hotel, and he was assured by that Minister that not only would the present *régime* remain until next February, but that, humanly speaking, it must remain until February twelve months, and that afterwards, with good-will on all sides, a solution undoubtedly satisfactory to the medical profession in this country would be found. The Minister had told him further that there was no need for anything but optimism, and that medical students might enter and remain in the Irish medical schools without any misgiving whatever. He added that the time limit of one year had never been a matter in dispute between the British and Irish authorities.

Mr. George Reynolds and Mr. W. Jefferson also responded. Mr. Reynolds, who is President of the Insurance Institute of London, obtained his early experience in the insurance profession in Dublin. He gave his reminiscences of the beginnings of the Insurance Institute of Ireland forty years ago.

Mr. Atkinson is also an Irishman who now holds a high position in the insurance profession in England.

IRISH PRODUCTS.

One of the most interesting of many puzzle competitions in the Christmas number of the *Weekly Irish Times* is a King's Move Puzzle, from which readers are asked to form a list of articles produced in Ireland. This competition is at once amusing and instructive, and cash prizes are offered to readers who send in the largest list of articles made in Ireland.

There are many other competitions in this Christmas number designed to suit the tastes of young and old of both sexes. A handsome coloured supplement, with photographs of all the judges in all Ireland, is given free in the Christmas number of the *Weekly Irish Times*.

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THE MARKETING OF DEAD POULTRY.

NORTHERN MINISTER'S LEAFLET.

An interesting leaflet on the marketing of dead poultry has just been issued by the Northern Ministry of Agriculture. It points out that the situation with regard to the marketing of fowls has changed so completely, both as regards competition, and in respect of requirements in the finished article, that every shipper of fowls should, in his own interests, prepare to meet the changed conditions. Poultry being a perishable commodity demands a quick sale, and consequently there is usually a rush in the markets to dispose of supplies. For this reason poultry exporters should be prepared to facilitate the salesmen by paying special attention to the details of preparation for market, so as to ensure readier sales and better prices.

Properly fatted fowls will always find the readiest sale, particularly in the London market. If in poor condition, ducks and geese especially, must be disposed of at a low price. Poultry intended for despatch alive should be provided with ample food before they are put into the crates. The crates should be well ventilated and so constructed that the birds are carried without risk of injury. Overcrowding in crates should be avoided, and delicate birds should not be shipped alive in any circumstances. Two and three-decker crates should not be used. All fowls should be fasted for from 18 to 24 hours before killing. Fasted birds keep longer, and reduction in value, due to discolouration, caused by decomposition of food, is avoided. The two chief methods of killing are—(a) bleeding, and (b) dislocation of the neck. Birds intended for cold storage should be killed by bleeding; but this method is not otherwise recommended. Plucking should take place immediately after killing, as the feathers can then be readily removed. The present demand requires all chickens to be clean plucked, except the head and a few inches of the neck.

Purchasers in all British markets prefer the birds "stubbed"; this means the removal of the pin feathers with a blunt knife. Geese and ducks should be clean-plucked, with the exception of the head and half the neck and the smaller feathers of the wings. Fowls look better, and sell better if graded to size and quality. Properly graded consignments also carry better. Old fowls should on no account be packed in the same case with young birds. Firm packing is of great importance, in order to prevent the birds shifting, and consequently barking the skin, which detracts from their appearance. In packing poultry a layer of clean, dry wheat straw may be placed in the bottom of the case and covered with tough white paper. Four sheets can be used which would be ample to carry over the top of the birds also. The case may be finished off with a layer of dry wheat straw. Wood wool is a very objectionable packing material for poultry. In packing turkeys, cocks and hens should be packed separately, and grading should be as follows:—8-10lbs., 10-12lbs., 12-14lbs., 14-16lbs., etc. Geese should be graded in a similar manner. The end of each case should be branded to indicate clearly the number, sex, and nett weight of the contents.

TURKEY PRICES IN THE MARKETS.

The price of turkeys all over the country is much below that of twelve months ago.

At the Kells Christmas market on Saturday the highest price paid for turkeys was 1s. per lb. Geese sold for 6s. each, and chickens 3s. 6d. each.

At Tullamore the price of turkeys was 1s. per lb.

At Kildare the price was 10d. to 1s. 2d. per lb., and geese 12s. per pair.

At 1s. a lb. on Saturday at Limerick, turkeys were 75 per cent. cheaper than twelve months ago.

At Midleton on Saturday the price was 10d., while geese sold at 6d. per lb.

Nearly 2,000 turkeys were sold at the Thomastown market at 1s. per lb. They are being sent to the English markets.

The price of turkeys at Dungannon on Friday was 1s. and 1s. 2d. per lb.; geese were from 7d. to 9d. per lb.

SOCIAL PROBLEMS IN IRELAND.

THE C.O.P.E.C. MOVEMENT.

"C.O.P.E.C.—Its Message" was the subject of the sermon preached by Canon Thompson at Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, yesterday afternoon.

Taking as his text St. Matthew 6, 10, "Thy will be done on earth, as it is in Heaven," Canon Thompson said that their subject was the Message of C.O.P.E.C.

C.O.P.E.C. stood for the fellowship of believers through the spirit of Christ. Working together with one another, in Christ, they believed that they could discover a way to make the principles of Christ apply to human problems, and thereby make the will of God done on earth as it was done in Heaven. C.O.P.E.C. had its message for Dublin and for Ireland. It had its message for every Christian congregation in Ireland. Its organisation was of such a nature that the movement came to each Christian congregation, asking for three spirit-filled believers, who would act together, with others from other congregations, to discover how to know and do God's will in each particular locality where men and women lived, moved, and had their being. The message, which was in the first instance inward and spiritual, took, nevertheless, a practical outward and visible form, and out of all the problems it singled out four for special mention. Owing to the troubled state of the country during the period of preparation for the conference Ireland was virtually omitted from that exhaustive survey which prepared the way for the conference. This country isolated itself from the biggest effort ever made in these islands to face their social problems in the light of their common faith in Jesus Christ.

"We have realised," said the message of the conference, "with a fresh intensity the scandal to our civilisation and religion involved in the fact that thousands of our fellow-countrymen are without decent houses and without work; are without that education that would develop their faculties to the full." If the leaders of the Christian Churches in England, Scotland and Wales could say that, what, they might surely ask, had the leaders of the Christian Churches in Ireland to say regarding these questions, so far as Ireland was concerned? The Christianity of England, Scotland and Wales was making their Churches face these problems; what was the Christianity of Ireland doing in the same direction? What about the kind of homes in which thousands of the citizens of Dublin dwell? What about the numbers of persons in Ireland willing to work, but continually brought face to face with recurrent unemployment? Does our educational system develop to the full the intellectual and moral and spiritual faculties of young and adult Irish people? Christian people across the Irish Sea are setting themselves to face such problems; and it is in order that we may do likewise that these Advent sermons about the C.O.P.E.C. movement are being preached in this Cathedral.

To give human beings decent homes to live in; to ensure for every willing worker employment; to give every youth and adult the opportunity of using to the full his God-given faculties of mind and will, and spirit, is to-day part of the task before all the Christian people of these islands. There is nothing sectarian in working together in God's name to abolish the slums which disgrace our civilisation; in seeking to save men and women from the degradation of idleness; in caring that we should all develop our faculties to the full. All Irishmen do unite in praying "Thy will be done on earth, as it is in Heaven," and, therefore, all Irishmen ought to be willing to work together to make it possible for God to answer their common prayer. I conclude by asking that you give your active and sympathetic support to the work of the Dublin Citizenship Council, which has been brought into being to put the message of C.O.P.E.C. into practice in respect of the social conditions which here and now prevail in this capital city.

THE "FREEMAN'S JOURNAL."

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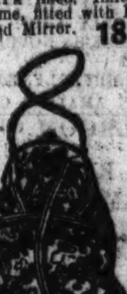

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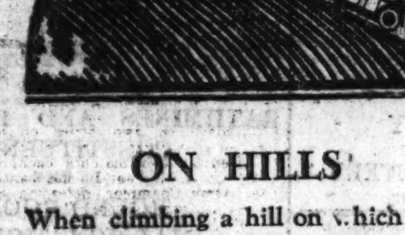

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

DESTRUCTION OF TREES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—The correspondence on "Land and Employment," in relation to the Land Act of 1923, is both interesting and illuminating. Our Government under this Act are not only the owners of immense tracts of hitherto well-kept lands, but are responsible for their care and upkeep; for no other person has any interest in them. It would be well to know who is responsible for the wholesale destruction of the trees on the lands sold by the Congested Districts Board to tenant proprietors. There will not be a tree left in this country soon. Most of the once magnificently timbered demesnes are now complete wrecks. The rainfall, bad as it is, will be considerably increased; the land will become more sour and sodden, and our unfortunate country will have neither shelter nor shade.

It is all nonsense to talk about "Arbor Day" and replanting. The present holders of the land—even if the Board should plant trees for them—would let their cattle eat them for the sake of the small patches of grass that would grow around them. I have planted thousands of trees; the lands they grew on was sold to the C.D.B., and every day I see beautiful young spruce and birch, which were planted for shelter, cut down long before they are of any use, except to stop a gap.

We hear a lot about road-making, but the upkeep of our timber is just as important for use, not to speak of the beauty of our country—one of its great assets. Roads can always be made, and (if we can afford the cost) in a very short time; but, spend what we will, a beautiful beech tree, that was the pride and admiration of a country-side for the last half century, can be cut down in a hour, and it will take another half century to grow one as fine. We are anxious to attract tourists—we shall soon have nothing to show them but tree-stumps, and the blackened ruins of many a beautiful and historical mansion—hitherto mercifully hidden from view—are now displayed in all their desolate hideousness.

The drainage of these lands is a matter that does not brook delay. The calamity that devastated the country in 1879 is now threatened—namely, fluke-disease in sheep, caused by their feeding on the low-lying lands bordering rivers that have overflowed their banks. We hear of many projects for the drainage of large rivers, but unless there is a well-considered maintainance scheme, it will be wasted money. Will the Government look after the drains, water-courses, farmhouses, hedges, walls, fences and the timber of all these vast tracts of land, hitherto so well kept up by the men who now have to go?—Yours, etc., "Y.Z."

December 13th, 1923.

FRUIT FROM SPAIN.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—We noticed an article in the Press of recent date, in which it was stated that the Federation of Spanish Merchants were to approach the Free State Government regarding the fact that the Irish middleman was refusing to permit the landing of Spanish fruit in the Free State. I immediately communicated with the Spanish Federation, and have received the following telegram from them:—

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T. H. Seaman, Corporation Market, Dublin: Cutting attached your letter 5th grossly misrepresents action taken in order that the Dublin Docks authority should give better facilities to direct shipments of fruit. We never referred to fruit merchants in our complaint.

ENRIQUE GIMENO.

I would be glad if you would give this the same prominence that you gave to the other report. As you will see from the telegram, it is not the merchants of Dublin who have the slightest objection to Spanish produce landing in the Free State; but evidently the Spanish Federation are dissatisfied with the facilities accorded them for the Mediterranean service.—Yours, etc.,

T. H. SEAMAN, Honorary Secretary.

Dublin and District Wholesale Fruit Buyers' Association, Corporation Market, Dublin, December 13th, 1924.

COMMISSIONER FOR OATHS.

In the High Court, Dublin, on Saturday, before Chief Justice Kennedy, Mr. Sean O'Brien, District Court Clerk at Bagenalstown, Co. Carlow, was appointed a Commissioner for the administration of oaths.

A CORRECTION.—In our report of the case Bradshaw v. McMullan, the statement that there would be an extension of the lease at £250 a year until the existing lease expired should read "when" instead of "until."

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

MAJOR
BRYAN COOPER, T.D.,
WILL ADDRESS HIS
RATHMINES AND PEMBROKE CONSTITUENTS
IN THE
ROUND ROOM, MANSION HOUSE,
ON
TO-DAY MONDAY DEC. 15th,
SENATOR S. L. BROWN, K.C., and SIR SIMON MADDOCK, D.L., Will also Address the Meeting.
The Chair will be taken at 8 p.m. by SIR THOMAS W. ROBINSON.

DUBLIN AND SOUTH-EASTERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

Notice is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Proprietors of the Dublin and South-Eastern Railway Company will be held at the Company's Offices, Westland Row Station, Dublin, on Tuesday, 30th day of December, 1924, at 12 o'clock noon, for the following purposes:—
1. To elect from amongst the Directors of the Dublin and South-Eastern Railway Company two Directors to serve as Directors on the Board of the Great Southern Railways Company, in accordance with the provisions of the Railways Act, 1924.
2. To provide, with the consent of the Proprietors, for payment of Compensation to the Directors of the Dublin and South-Eastern Railway Company who suffer loss by abolition of office, in accordance with the provisions of the Railways Act, 1924.
R. D. GRIFFITH, Secretary.
Secretary's Office, Westland Row Station, Dublin, 15th December, 1924.

GREAT SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Railways Act, 1924, an Extraordinary Meeting of the Proprietors of this Company will be held at the Hall of the Institution of Civil Engineers of Ireland, 35 Dawson street, Dublin, on Wednesday, the 31st day of December, 1924, at the hour of two o'clock p.m., for the purpose of electing from among the Directors of the Company holding office at the time, such number as may be fixed by the scheme settled by the Railway Tribunal, to serve as Directors of the Amalgamated Company.
By Order of the Board.
C. E. RILEY, Secretary.
Dated this 15th day of December, 1924.
Kingsbridge Terminus, Dublin.

NOTICE.
REGISTRATION OF CLUBS (IRELAND) ACT, 1904.
Take Notice that I intend to apply to the District Justice, at Ennistymon District Sessions, for a Renewal of the Lahinch Golf Club's Registration Certificate for the year 1925.
Dated this 10th day of December, 1924.
EDMUND L. WICKHAM, F.S.I., Secretary.

REGISTRATION OF CLUBS (IRELAND) ACT, 1904.
Take Notice that I, Major E. N. Townsend, D.S.O., Secretary of The Greystones Golf Club, intend to apply for a Renewal of the Certificate of Registration on behalf of the said Club, in pursuance of the provisions of the above Act.
Dated this 13th day of December, 1924.
E. N. TOWNSEND, Major, Secretary.
To the Registrar of Clubs, Bray.

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J. B. SHORTT, Hon. Secretary.

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The Irish Times.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1924.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

The Boundary Commissioners on Saturday visited Monaghan and Clones. Yesterday they arrived in Enniskillen.—(Page 7.)

Addressing students at the College of Surgeons, the President, Mr. Maunsell said that "jobbery" in elections to medical appointments must be abolished.—(Page 5.)

Speaking at the annual dinner of the Insurance Institute of Ireland in Dublin on Saturday night, Senator Douglas said that no satisfactory progress for trade and commerce could be expected until the people felt confidence and security in the State.—(Page 5.)

Mr. William Coote, the representative of the Counties of Tyrone and Fermanagh in the Northern Parliament, was seized with illness in Crumlin road Presbyterian Church, Belfast, last night and died soon afterwards at the house of the minister, to which he was removed.—(Page 7.)

ABROAD.

The British Government's attitude towards the registration of the Anglo-Irish Treaty has been circulated amongst members of the League of Nations.—(Page 7.)

M. Herriot, the French Premier, is ill, and it is suggested that he may find it necessary to resign.—(Page 7.)

Reports of American agriculture show that there has been a substantial improvement during the year, although pre-war conditions have not been reached as yet.—(Page 8.)

SPORTING.

At Lansdowne road on Saturday Leinster defeated Ulster at Rugby football by eleven points to three.—(Page 10.)

At Lingfield on Saturday Alcazar won the Southern Handicap Steeplechase.—(Page 10.)

FINANCIAL.

There was considerable demand for loans in London Money Market on Saturday, and the rate was maintained at 2¼-½ per cent. Discounts were steady and foreign exchanges quiet.—(Page 11.)

East and West.

The news that Japanese opinion is very much perturbed at the prospect of the forthcoming American naval manœuvres is not surprising. For some time past relations between Japan and the United States, while outwardly "correct," have been anything but cordial. The new immigration laws incensed the national feeling of the Japanese, and some of the speeches which were made in both Houses of Congress added fuel to the fire. The United States fleet proposes to hold its next manœuvres in Pacific waters which the Japanese are disposed to regard as their own. Virtually the whole American Navy will be engaged, including some of its new seaplanes which have an enormous range of flight, and are supposed to be able to fly from California to Honolulu in a single day. The theory of the manœuvres will be an attack on the western coast of the United States and the Panama Canal by an enemy coming from the West. The Japanese Press interprets this move by America, in conjunction with the British decision to extend the naval base at Singapore, as the beginning of an Anglo-Saxon policy of *Einkreislung*, or encirclement, and declares that Britain and the United States are determined to prevent the expansion of Japan by every means in their power. A mass meeting of protest will be held in Tokio next week, when America will be requested publicly to abandon her manœuvres, and in the meanwhile agitators are doing their best to foment mischief.

The Japanese base their objections to America's naval activty on the Washington Agreement. By that pact, which took the form of a Treaty of Limitation, the three principal sea Powers—Great Britain, the United States and Japan—agreed to reduce their fleets to a certain *maximum* in the fixed proportion of 5-5-3. The expressed aim of this agreement was the prevention of naval warfare and the checking of further competition in armaments. So far as Britain and the United States were concerned, few objections were raised at the time, but Japan never was happy about it. The pact placed her in a position of permanent inferiority at sea; yet, to her credit, be it said, she honoured her signature to the letter, and has observed the terms of the agreement with the greatest loyalty. Under the Harding Administration the United States kept its part of the bargain without demur, but during recent months there has been a tendency in America to chafe under the restrictions of the Washington Pact and to promote a "forward" policy in naval affairs. The naval party holds that the American Fleet has been allowed to fall below the standard of efficiency to which it is entitled by the agreement, and in this session Congress will discuss a programme involving the construction of fourteen new fast scout cruisers, six mine-laying and six cruising submarines, in addition to two huge aeroplane carriers of 27,000 tons apiece. The Washington Agreement, while limiting the number of capital ships in the navies of its signatories, left them a loop-hole in respect of smaller craft; and a strong section of Congress seems to be determined to take the fullest advantage of it.

Agreements are ephemeral things, but the growth of nations continues. Sooner or later Japan must find an outlet for her surplus population. She has three choices—namely, California, Australia and China. China offers the line of least resistance, and there is little doubt that the present war in that unhappy country is being encouraged behind the scenes by the wily statesmen of Japan. For many reasons the United States never would tolerate a Japanese hegemony in China. American interests in Eastern Asia are very extensive, and the first signs of Japanese aggression would lead to serious complications. Britain, naturally, could not contemplate an American-Japanese conflict, even at a distant date, with indifference. Australia and New Zealand depend almost entirely on the Imperial Navy for their defence, and neither of them would be safe in the event of trouble in the Far East. From the British point of view, therefore, the extension of the Singapore base is a measure of mere prudence. Britain never is likely to go to war either with Japan or with the United States—unless, of course, Australia should be attacked—but she must be in a position to fulfil her trust to her Dominion, in any emergency. The position of affairs at the moment is rather delicate. The Japanese Government has decided to send a squadron, under the command of Vice-Admiral Momotake, to American waters in February, and this visit will be made at the height of the controversy concerning the manœuvres. The world must hope that ways and means of accommodation will be found.

The Spanish Directory.

There are many points of resemblance between the situation in Spain and that which obtains in Italy. In both countries the principal problem which faces the autocratic Governments is that of provision for the future when the present phase passes, as it is bound to pass. General Primo de Rivera seems to be more genuinely anxious than Signor Mussolini to allow his country to revert to a normal and more democratic *régime*. The Directory has done much creditable work in Morocco, and has shown courage and determination; but complete success has not rewarded its efforts. Until the Moroccan question is settled General Primo de Rivera's duty is undischarged; and for this reason he is spared much of the criticism which is being levelled at Signor Mussolini by the Italian Liberals. The Count de Romanones, the Liberal ex-Premier of Spain, has published an able and interesting defence of the system of government in that country before the *coup d'état* of September, 1923. The book is less a censure of the Directory than an account of the circumstances which brought it into being. The author gives a summary of the work of the old parties from 1875 to the date of the Directory's advent to power, and throws much light on the subject of foreign relations during that period. He traces the events which led to Spain's diplomatic isolation and shows how timidity prevented a definite agreement with France that would have made joint action in Morocco possible. In 1915 the Kaiser, through the German Ambassador, made an offer of Gibraltar, Tangier and a free hand in Portugal in return for Spanish assistance, but the Conservative Premier, Señor Dato, had the wisdom to rate this impossible offer at its proper value. The Directory has done something to arouse the people to a realisation of the consequences of a policy of drift. There are signs that they appreciate the work that has been done by the present Government. They have little desire for a return to the old methods, but the nation demands from General Primo de Rivera some constitutional form of government which will be suitable to its needs. An attempt was made to form a new party which, under the title of the "Patriotic Union," would embrace those elements of the population that previously had stood aloof from politics. The Union was boycotted by the old parties and the attempt proved to be a failure. In spite of the difficulties of the situation, however, there is a new spirit of hope in Spain. The people are watching anxiously the development of the situation in Morocco, but so long as the Government pursues a resolute policy which offers a reasonable prospect of success it will be assured of popular support.

Free State Emigrants.

If a writer in the *Observer* is well informed, a drastic change, greatly to the Free State's prejudice, will be made two years hence in the United States Immigration Laws. The first effect of the Act of 1924 has been very favourable to this country. Under the quota scheme, based on the census of 1890, the number of immigrants who are admitted from any European country is equal to two *per cent.* of the total of its nationals who were resident in the United States in that year. Great Britain and the Free State are treated as separate countries. The former's present quota is 34,007; and the latter's is fixed at the high figure of 28,567. It seems, however, that a far-reaching amendment which was inserted in the recent Act at the last moment will take effect in 1927. Then the plan of "national origins" will come into operation. A total of 150,000 immigrants will be admitted annually, and they will be taken from every European country in the ratio of its contribution to the population of the United States according to the census of 1920. An official estimate of this proportion of racial strains will be made by a committee of three members of the Cabinet. In the meanwhile Captain John B. Trevor, an ethnologist of repute, who has given careful study to the problem, has published his conclusions about the racial composition of the 105,710,600 inhabitants of the United States in 1920. He estimates the persons of British and Northern Irish stock at 51,747,680; Germans at 12,173,374; Irish (Free State) at 5,063,966; Italians at 3,472,457; Poles at 2,759,041, and Russians at 2,434,669. If Captain Trevor's estimate is correct, the British Isles will supply three out of every five immigrants who will be allowed to enter the United States after 1926: that, indeed, is the deliberate intention of the Act. The British quota will leap from its present figure of 34,007 to 83,315, and the Free State quota will fall from its present figure of 28,567 to 8,000. No doubt, these calculations will be challenged, and, no doubt, the American Cabinet committee will prepare and publish the official bases for the new quotas with the least possible delay. So long as any uncertainty exists there is likely to be a formidable exodus from the twenty-six counties of persons who will be anxious to go to the United States while "the going is good."

Smoke Abatement.

Ireland is not troubled by the problem of smoke abatement; but in London, which was paralysed for two days last week by a Cimmerian fog, and in the great manufacturing cities of the English Midlands the problem is urgent. During Mr. Baldwin's former Administration a Smoke Abatement Bill was supported by the Federation of British Industries, but did not become law. Now Mr. Neville Chamberlain promises that the matter will be revived, but pleads pressure of business and cannot offer an earlier date than 1926 for the introduction of a Government measure. Mr. David Brownlie, B.Sc., writing in the *Spectator*, declares that, even without legislation, substantial progress is being made in the abatement of the smoke nuisance which has been produced hitherto by the annual consumption of some 187,000,000 tons of coal in Great Britain. He says that, as a result of improved methods of combustion, about 25 *per cent.* of factory chimneys already give little or no smoke. Two common causes of black smoke are lack of efficient draught and inadequate methods of firing, and the remedies for these faults are simple and well known. Pulverised fuel firing, which eliminates smoke altogether, has made enormous advances in the last four years. About 50 *per cent.* of the smoke of the country is due to household fires, and Mr. Brownlie thinks that one half of this volume of smoke could be removed by a general introduction of the system of central heating. His real remedy, however, is the universal adoption of electricity for all the purposes of lighting and cooking in the home. It is certain, indeed, that the smoke nuisance soon will be a thing of the past, and that coming generations will be mystified by English literature's many references to the peril and romance of London fogs.

BACKHAUS RECITAL.

It is many years since we first heard Backhaus play the piano in Dublin. On that occasion he was associated with Kubelik, and the writer travelled over a hundred miles to hear him, and would do the same to-day, if necessary. Piano-lovers on Saturday afternoon had two hours of unalloyed pleasure. If we have a complaint to make, it is that Backhaus has left us so little to criticise. Bach has been pounded out to us by other pianists, but on Saturday he was poured out, without eccentricity, without that *tempo rubato* which, however suited to Chopin, is murderous when applied to Bach. The Chromatic Fantasia and Fugue was a thing of joy, given with vigour and directness.

Beethoven's Sonata in D minor afforded ample scope for a delightful blending of delicacy and robustness, without the weak sentiment which some players import into his slow movements. The Variations on a Theme by Paganini gave a greater insight into Backhaus's executive powers than anything else that he did that afternoon. The house rose at him, but even his virtuosity could not disguise the fact that very little of importance was being said. As an exhibition of technique it was marvellous, and he got every ounce of colour out of it.

The Chopin group was delightful. It was a varied selection, but Backhaus had interesting comment to make upon each piece. It may be that one felt disposed to join issue with him on certain points, but that only goes to prove that he has the courage of his convictions and the hardihood to state them with uncompromising firmness.

The A Flat Waltz (Op. 42) was taken at terrific speed, but the syncopation was delightfully clear. In the G Minor Ballad we thought the tone a little forced, and the arpeggoing of the opening octave unusual. The *Poème Satanique* of Scriabin was an interesting example of that composer's work, though it gives small indication of the lengths to which he subsequently went. We enjoyed Mr. Backhaus's own arrangement of the Don Juan Serenade immensely, but we hope that he will not misunderstand us when we say that we shall remember him rather as the most satisfying pianist we have heard for a long time than as a composer or arranger.

WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference.—A depression is approaching the British Isles from the Atlantic, and mainly fair, quiet weather, with slight frost and fog locally, will be followed by freshening southerly to south-westerly winds, and rather mild, cloudy to rainy weather, but the fair weather may continue during a large part of to-day in the extreme East of England.

Ireland.—Wind between south-east and south-west, becoming fresh to strong; much cloud; some rain; visibility moderate to good; rather cold, then milder.

S.W. Seaboard, Mouth of Channel to South-West Ireland; Irish Sea and St. George's Channel.—Wind south-westerly to southerly, freshening, becoming dull to rainy; visibility moderate; sea becoming rather rough.

N.W. Seaboard, Northern Ireland to Hebrides.—Wind mainly between south and south-east, moderate to fresh; becoming dull to rainy; visibility moderate to good; sea slight to moderate.

Dixon and Hempenstall, Barometers and Forecasters, 12 Suffolk street, Dublin.—(Advt)

BAROMETER.

Dublin—Saturday (1 p.m.)	29.90
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To-day....Rises	8.34	Sets	4. 7	
To-morrow.. „	8.34	„	4. 7	
Lighting-up Time			5. 7	

HIGH WATER.
DUBLIN.

To-day....Morning	1.25	Afternoon	1.31
To-morrow.. „	2. 3	„	2. 9

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Theatre Royal—Varieties, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Gaiety Theatre—Closed.
Queen's Theatre—"Chocolate Drops," 7 and 9 p.m.
Olympia Theatre—"Wangles of 1924," 7 and 9.
Abbey Theatre—Plays in Irish.
La Scala Theatre—"The Bad Man," 4.15, 6.45, and 9.15 p.m.
Metropole Cinema—"Sherlock, Jr.," 2.15, 4.45, 7.15, and 9.45 p.m.
Grafton Picture House—"The Tenth Woman."
Carlton Cinema—"The Cheat."
Grand Central Cinema—"The Lone Star Ranger."
Sackville Picture House—"Woman to Woman."
Bohemian Picture Theatre—"Hush Money."
Princess Cinema, Rathmines—"When Dawn Came," 3 to 10.30 p.m.
Pavilion, Dun Laoghaire—"Ponjola," 3.30 to 10.15.
Mariners' Church, Kingstown—The "Messiah" (Part 1.), 8 p.m.
Rugby Football—Oxford v. Dublin, Lansdowne Road, 2.15 p.m.
R.D.S. Recital—Theatre Royal, 4 p.m.
Howth Urban Council—Meeting, 8 p.m.
Drumcondra District Court, 11 a.m.
Greater Dublin Commission, 11.30 a.m.
Dail Court, 11 a.m.
Dublin Circuit Court, 11 a.m.
Central Criminal Court, 1 p.m.
Sale of Skerries—Meeting at Carnegie Library, 8.

THE VACANCY IN THE SENATE.

Lord Monteagle and Sir Simon Maddock have been nominated for the vacancy in the Senate, caused by the resignation of Colonel Sir Hutcheson Poë. The election, by members of the House, will take place after the Christmas recess.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

Yesterday after Morning Service in the Guards' Chapel, Wellington Barracks, the Prince of Wales unveiled the war memorial to the Brigade of Guards, in the presence of a very large congregation. Last Saturday the Prince attended the "Toc. H." birthday thanksgiving Service at All Hallows' Church, Barking-by-the-Tower, and unveiled the Battle Cross of Gilbert Talbot, and later was present at the lamp-lighting ceremony at the Memorial Hall in Farringdon street.

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Princess Mary has been seen about in London a good deal of late, and has been present at various entertainments in aid of charities. Last week she visited the Royal School of Needlework and selected a number of articles for Christmas presents. Viscount Lascelles left Chesterfield House last Friday for Yorkshire, where he is the guest of the Dowager Lady Nunburnholme at Warter Priory for a few days.

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Princess Victoria, the only unmarried daughter of Queen Alexandra and the late King Edward, has not been very well of late. It is understood that she will not be with the Royal Family at Sandringham for Christmas, but will go abroad—probably first to Northern Italy—within the next few days, in the hope of securing improved health.

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Princess Ileana of Rumania left London last Saturday for Bucharest. She was entertained by the Rumanian Minister at a farewell luncheon, when the guests invited to meet her included Sir Harry and Lady Brittain, Captain and Mrs. Bateman, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Gaselee, Colonel Antonesco, Miss Marr, Mons. D. Ciotori and Mons. Nicolas Misu. The French Ambassador, whose retirement is much regretted in London, left last Saturday for Paris, accompanied by the Countess de Saint Aulaire. His successor at the French Embassy, Mons. de Fleurian, arrived in London yesterday, and will make his first public appearance next Thursday, when he will be present at a matinée at Wyndham's Theatre which Sir Gerald du Maurier is organising for the benefit of the French poor in England. Madame Rachel Berendt and a number of artists from the Comédie Française and the Odéon will take part in the performance.

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The Duke and Duchess of Atholl will leave London this week for Perthshire and will spend Christmas at Blair Castle. Marchioness Curzon of Kedleston, with her family and her step-daughter, Lady Alexandra Curzon, will start shortly for St. Moritz, where they will remain over the holiday season. Elizabeth Marchioness of Ormonde and Lady Constance Butler will spend Christmas with Lady Beatrice Pole-Carew and her family in London. The Duchess of Rutland has returned to Belvoir Castle and is lending her London residence this afternoon for a concert arranged by Prince Alexis Obolensky and Miss Olga Lynn, to which Queen Alexandra has given her patronage. The Marquis and Marchioness of Cambridge have returned to Shotton Hall from Montgomeryshire, where they had been staying with the Earl and Countess of Powis at Powis Castle.

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Last week the Earl and Countess of Galloway returned from their honeymoon and, after a few days' stay in London, left on Saturday for the North. To-day the tenantry will give them a welcome on their arrival at Cumloden, the family seat in Wigtonshire, where they will spend Christmas. They will be joined at the end of this week by Amy Countess of Galloway, Mrs. Wendell (Lady Galloway's mother) and Mrs. Percival Griffiths.

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General Sir William Birdwood, who was Acting Commander-in-Chief in India in the absence of General Lord Rawlinson, has returned to England and, with Lady Birdwood, is spending a few days in London, where they are the guests of Sir Thomas Robinson, former Agent-General for Queensland. They will spend Christmas at Thursby Hall, their place in Lincolnshire.

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Among the passengers who landed last Friday at Southampton from the United States were the Countess of Granard and her children, Lady Moira and Lady Eileen Forbes, Lady Peek, Sir James Currie, Sir Edwin and Lady Airey, Sir Mark Sheldon and Mr. J. Ogden Armour. Owing to Lady Beatrix Wilkinson's illness Sir Nevile Wilkinson has been obliged to postpone their trip to Colorado. Lord and Lady Parmoor will leave London to-day for Ceylon and will be away for at least three months. Lord and Lady Whitburgh and the Hon. Sybil Borthwick will leave London this week for the South of France. Lord Hardinge of Penshurst is going to Spain for a short stay.

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Principal Grant Robertson, who recently delivered the Lady Ardilaun lectures at Alexandra College, Dublin, has left Birmingham University for the United States, to attend the Anglo-American Historical Congress at Richmond, Virginia. He has accepted invitations to visit a number of American universities before he returns to England.

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A marriage has been arranged, and will shortly take place, between Henry Hubert Martin, "Ellerslie," Temple road, Milltown, Co. Dublin, and Sheelagh Elizabeth, only daughter of Brigadier-General Geoffrey Downing, Drumnitta Lodge, Torrington, North Devon.

The Carlow Hunt Ball will be held on Tuesday, 13th January, 1925.

Mah-Jongg—Widespread interest in their Mah-Jongg Demonstration has induced Switzers to continue it this week also. London Expert in attendance daily. Demonstrations in private residences after 6 p.m. by appointment.

In Switzer's Costume Gallery quite a number of the Lovely Gowns (including Models) are now marked down in price.

A large selection of Fur (one skin) Ties suitable for Christmas Gifts, from 29s. 6d., at Switzer's, Grafton street.

Lovely Frocks for Christmas Festivities.—W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd., 69, 70, 71 South Great George's street.

Salthill Hotel—Friday, 26th December, Children's Dance and Christmas Tree, 3 to 6 o'clock. Tickets strictly limited.

Chancellor and Son, Photographers. New Electric Studio, 7 Grafton street, Dublin.

Christmas Sale—All Gowns, Coats, Millinery at half price for one week from Monday.—Veronica, 31 Upper Baggot street.

Acceptable Christmas Presents—Coats and Evening Gowns at reduced prices.—Campbell and Strahan, Ltd., 11 Wicklow street.

Barry, 25 St. Stephen's Green—Sale to-day and to-morrow.

Madame Renée has received a special delivery of Evening Gowns for Christmas Dances. Prices very moderate.—Harry street (off Grafton street).

Velour Overcoats for Ladies, all shades, latest styles, from £4 14s. 6d., to order. Fur Collar extra. Costumes, Indigo Serge, from £6 6s. 0d.—F. C. Bryson, 3 Church lane, off College Green.

PASSENGERS ON ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

Arrivals:—Mrs. Samuel Constable, Dr. Evelyn Constable, Miss C. A. Stuart, Captain A. B. and Mrs. Townsend, T. R. Sparks, James Ternan.

Departures:—Mrs. B. A. McSwiney, Miss Noreen McSwiney, Mrs. James Stephens, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Hanbury, Miss Wanda Keogh, Miss Genevieve Keogh, Mr. and Mrs. C. Blair-White.

Other Arrivals and Departures will be found in "Dublin and the Provinces."

McBirney and Co.'s Great Toy Fair and Christmas Gift Bazaar now open.

"Our Boys"—The noted house for Boys' and Youths' Reliable Clothing and Outfitting at keen cut prices.—24 Wicklow street.

Special show of Day and Evening Gowns to-day and to-morrow. Some choice and exclusive Models now on view. Black and Black and White Goods a speciality. 'Phone 4905.—Davis and Co., 45 Grafton street.

Furs—Annual December Sale of High-Class Furs at very reduced prices.—David Vard, 24 Grafton street (1st floor). Window show at 16 Duke street.

Genuine Sale, less than half-price, Evening Gowns, Dance Frocks, etc.—Madame Owen, 11 Dawson street.

If you want Smart Hats, Coats, Frocks and Jumpers visit Rooney and Wilson's Warerooms, as all are being sold under cost price this week only.—44 Henry street.

Gibson and Co., Ladies' Tailors. Specialists in designing and cutting. All models made on the premises. Inspection invited.—141 Lr. Baggot st.

Mourning Orders executed on the shortest notice. 'Phone 4905.—Davis and Co., 45 Grafton street.

Wireless: Call or write W. D. Hogan, 56 Henry street, Dublin.

DEATH.

DENNIS—December 13, 1924, in Dublin, Elizabeth Margaret (Lilly), third daughter of the late Meade Caulfeild Dennis, of Fortgranite, County Wicklow. Funeral on Wednesday at 12 o'clock to Kiltegan Church. Motor from Dublin.

LONDON LETTER.

THE WEEK IN PARLIAMENT.

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON, SUNDAY NIGHT.

The coming week will be an interesting one in the House of Commons; for days have been earmarked for discussion of three most vital questions. Mr. Ramsay Macdonald to-morrow initiates a debate on the Egyptian question, and will urge that all the problems arising out of the murder of Sir Lee Stack shall be referred to the League of Nations. He probably will receive the support of the Liberal Party in his attack on the Government. Mr. Austen Chamberlain, fresh from his visit to Rome, will make his first appearance in the House as Foreign Minister and will answer the arguments advanced from the Opposition benches. Bolshevist propaganda will be discussed in both Houses, probably on Tuesday; for it is known that Mr. Chamberlain has something to report on this question after his visit to M. Herriot, the French Premier; while in the Upper House Lord Curzon is expected to make an important statement in reply to a question to be put by Lord Newton.

Inter-Allied debts also will come under review during the week, and the debate promises to be exhaustive. Mr. Churchill has been preparing for it for some time, and is in full possession of all the facts. It is recognised that no amount of debating will enable the Allies to pay their debts to this country, but it is thought that a full and frank discussion may do much to clear the air and let our debtors know where we stand. In the United States our point of view is gradually being assimilated, and a further expression of the British view can do little harm.

Mr. Macdonald's Health.

It is whispered in Socialist circles that Mr. Ramsay Macdonald is still suffering from the fatigue which was so noticeable towards the end of last session, and it is thought that the sooner he goes for his long sea voyage to the West Indies the better it will be. He is to be accompanied on the trip by the Marquis of Tavistock. It is further rumoured that Mr. Macdonald, if the sea voyage does not set him up again, may retire from the leadership of his party. He has left office a disappointed man; his ideals have been shattered by stern reality, and the ungracious criticism which he has had to endure from his own followers has made matters worse. During his absence the leaders of the party probably will indulge in much manœuvring for position. There are three men who would like to lead and think they have capabilities. Mr. J. H. Thomas is one, Mr. Wheatley another, and Mr. Arthur Henderson the third. The last really has the best claim; for he built up the Socialist Party as it is to-day.

Irish Loyalists.

Sir James Pennefather is to ask the Attorney-General on Wednesday if he is aware that some Irish loyalists, being without other remedy owing to recent legislation in the Irish Free State, have brought Petitions of Right praying for compensation for injuries to person or property, and that defences by way of demurrer have been filed in the English Courts, which may prevent the cases from being heard; and will he consider whether, in the circumstances, such defences might with propriety be withdrawn so that the cases could be tried on their merits?

A New Insurance Plan.

Since it is possible that the Government scheme for the rearrangement of old age pensions and industrial insurance may be somewhat delayed, Mr. Smedley Cooke, one of the members from Birmingham, intends to introduce a Bill which he hopes will secure a favourable place in the ballot next year. The principle of the proposed measure is the protection of the worker against the financial consequences of sickness, disablement and old age, and in case of death against the hardships entailed upon dependents. The scheme contemplates the setting aside of the poor law system, and persons would be pensioned at the age of sixty-three. The present schemes of health and unemployment insurance would be gradually scrapped, to be succeeded by a joint "all-in" insurance scheme. The contributions which, it is computed, would be necessary are:—Women, 1s.; men, 1s. 6d.; employers, 2s. 6d.; the State, 1s. These compare with present contributions of women 9d., men 1s. 2d., employers 1s. 3d. (men), 1s. 1d. (women). Upon this basis it is estimated an annual income of £216,400,000 would be produced. Widows would be granted pensions of 12s. 6d. *per* week without the consideration of circumstances, and every child up to 15 years of age would receive 5s. *per* week. The present system of old age pensions would gradually end, and workers at the age of sixty-three would be retired on 25s. *per* week in the case of men and 15s. *per* week in the case of women.

The Prince and South America.

The announcement of the proposed visit by the Prince of Wales to the Argentine Republic has caused intense satisfaction throughout South America, and hopes are expressed that the visit may include the neighbouring countries of Brazil and Chile. So strong is the desire that the Prince shall visit these Republics that diplomatic representations probably will be made as to whether officially conveyed invitations would be accepted. One result of the visit may be the raising of the *status* of the diplomatic representatives of several of the South American Republics to ambassadorial rank.

The Railwaymen's Demands.

Prolonged discussions are certain to ensue upon the proposals contained in the "all-grades programme" put forward by the National Union of Railwaymen. It is obvious that the scheme has been introduced as a first offer in a series of negotiations in which the best bargains possible will be struck. It was never intended that the machinery set up to facilitate the settlement of industrial differences by arbitration boards should be abused by the introduction of extortionate demands, which are only intended to provide material for haggling matches. Another motive for the production of the scheme is to be found in the differences between the National Union of Railwaymen and the Locomotive Engineers' Society.

The Brigade of Guards.

The Brigade of Guards' Memorial, which was unveiled by the Prince of Wales in the Guards' Chapel of Wellington Barracks this morning, commemorates the 652 officers, 2,458 warrant officers and non-commissioned officers, and the 11,650 men who fell in the Great War. The memorial takes the form of new entrance doors, with a "surround" of marble mosaic. The doors, which are of oak, with panels of walnut, have been made by ex-Service men in the Lord Roberts' Memorial Workshops. The marble mosaic panel on one side contains a representation of the Annunciation, while on the other is a pourtrayal of the presentation in the temple. Above the doors are the crests of the regiments.

The "Paris Wembley."

The great international exhibition of decorative and industrial art, which opens in Paris next May, is to be representative of all that is up-to-date in art matters. Nothing that is not strictly modern is to be exhibited. No fewer than twenty-six nations are represented in the six thousand applications which have been received from manufacturers and artists for space. The exhibition, which is already known as the "Paris Wembley," is to be held in the vast open space between the Champs Elysées and the Invalides.

FUTURE OF EGYPT.

PROBLEMS TO BE FACED.

FOUR POINTS.

QUESTION OF THE SUDAN.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

CAIRO, Saturday.

In the opinion of the highest authorities here, Egypt has now passed the acute stage of a crisis which will necessarily be prolonged until after the elections, two or three months hence. The murder of Sir Lee Stack was not the cause of that crisis, but only one of its incidents. Even without it, the fall of Zaghlul Pasha was inevitable. The assassination of the Sirdar and the mutiny in the Sudan were parts of a vast scheme of villainy, concerning which important new evidence is now in British hands.

Fortunately, if I may use the word in such a connection, they both occurred prematurely. They precipitated things. Although valuable lives have been sacrificed, Egypt has been spared horrors which only those with inside knowledge are able adequately to visualise.

It is possible to-day to regard the future with qualified hope—Lord Allenby himself, I have reason to believe, shares this view—but, if the hope is to be realised, certain facts must be stated immediately and with frankness.

The time is coming, of course, when a civilian will have to replace a soldier, as Great Britain's chief representative in Egypt. But that time is not yet, though in the meantime a campaign for Lord Allenby's removal is going on. Lord Allenby's critics among the British colony here are astonishingly numerous and severe, but some among them agree that he should, at any rate, be allowed to finish his task.

Lord Allenby and a few—not all—of his advisers are still firmly trusted in Egypt, even by the Zaghlulists. A newcomer would not have that advantage. The best thing that one can wish for Egypt is that the inevitable storm of the coming elections shall be followed by a year of lull, during which heads on both sides may cool in preparation for the task of hammering out an Anglo-Egyptian settlement.

I predict, confidently, that there will be no discussions within a shorter period. It is wholly untrue that any assurances have been given by Lord Allenby regarding Great Britain's readiness to reconsider her attitude. The only foundation for this story is that Sidky Pasha, who called on Lord Allenby before accepting office as Minister of the Interior was told that Great Britain was animated by nothing but the friendliest feelings towards the Egyptian people.

It is certainly from Egypt that the first advances will have to come. In no case will there be any wavering on the four points reserved under the British declaration of 1922.

I am able, however, to outline broadly a scheme, whereunder, in the opinion of some of the clearest minds on the spot, agreement might be reached on these difficult issues. I give it point by point.

1. Protection of Imperial communications. British troops to be withdrawn entirely from Cairo—you cannot give a country independence and at the same time occupy its capital—and placed along the Suez Canal, quartered, perhaps, in the Sinai Peninsula only.
2. Protection of foreign interests. British troops to be replaced by an international gendarmerie. The present financial and judicial advisors to be withdrawn. I am assured that the question of their retention is no longer really an issue.
3. Protection of Egypt against foreign aggression. The conclusion of an Anglo-Egyptian offensive and defensive alliance. Incidentally this would help to meet point number one, since Egypt, without necessarily being called upon to make any serious contribution, would be brought in the field beside us, were Great Britain engaged in a war, and would, therefore, be interested in maintaining our communications.
4. The Sudan. To be administered by Great Britain under a League of Nations mandate.

Regarding the last point, opinion even, I believe, in official circles, is sharply divided, but the mandate idea is gaining support. The dispatch of a League Inquiry Commission, however, is held to be entirely inadmissible, indeed, one high authority told me it would provoke revolution.

The Nile water question is within sight of solution, and the menace which, rightly or wrongly, Egypt discerned in the Gezira clause of the recent ultimatum, is now withdrawn.

Finally, a warning is necessary concerning the grave effect which is being produced on native opinion here by talk of an Anglo-Franco-Italian agreement regarding Northern Africa.

The whole Moslem world is watching. The Arabic Press here is seeking to rally the people of the East on the cry that the Western Powers, after exploiting them during the war, are now betraying them and making ready to plunder their heritage. It is within Great Britain's powers to follow such a policy in Egypt as will prove her guiltless of this charge. But there are men here who, if we neglect the warning, are powerful enough and willing enough to raise the entire Middle East against us.

SCHILLINGE REPLACE KRONER.

REFORM OF AUSTRIAN CURRENCY.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

VIENNA, Sunday.

The crown is no longer the unit of exchange in Austria. No longer will the Austrian housewife's daily budget be reckoned in hundreds of thousands. Austria's new money, the schilling, will become the official currency for all Government organisation if the Finance Minister's proposed law is accepted.

Even the name kroner, which has been coupled with so many sad memories in Austria, has now completely disappeared. The schilling is officially a silver coin having the worth of ten thousand paper crowns, or equal to about sevenpence halfpenny.

Not many of these silver pieces will be circulated, however. They will be represented by new paper currency, which will gradually replace the present bank notes. The new metal money, which will be coined in one-half, one, and two schilling pieces, cannot exceed the total of ten shillings per head of the population.

The coin itself contains a mixture of sixty-four parts silver to thirty-six parts copper, and the schilling will weigh six grammes. At a later date the Government plans to coin twenty-five and hundred schilling gold pieces.

KNOCKED DOWN BY MOTOR CAR.

William Wilson, of 43 Sir John Rogerson's quay, Dublin, was treated in Steevens's Hospital on Saturday evening last for concussion, caused by being knocked down by a motor car at the Gough monument, Phœnix Park. When trying to avoid a motor cyclist, the driver of the car ran on to the steps of the monument and Wilson was knocked down, one of the wheels of the car was smashed, but the occupants were uninjured. Wilson's condition is not serious.

A fire which broke out yesterday at the Morts Dock Engineering Works, Sydney, destroyed the pattern shop and pattern store. The loss amounted to £60,000.

FATAL SEIZURE IN A CHURCH.

SUDDEN DEATH OF MR. WILLIAM COOTE, M.P.

SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS CAREER.

Mr. William Coote, the representative of the Counties of Tyrone and Fermanagh in the Northern Parliament since 1921, died suddenly in Belfast last night.

Mr. Coote was speaking in the Crumlin Road Presbyterian Church when he was seized with illness. He was removed to the residence of the minister, the Rev. J. Patterson, the founder of the Catch-My-Pal Temperance Association, where he died soon afterwards.

Mr. Coote represented South Tyrone in the Imperial Parliament as a Unionist from 1916 until 1922.

A native of Killevalley, Ballyjamesduff, Co. Cavan, where he was born in the year 1863, he began life as an apprentice to the provision trade, and at twenty he was successfully carrying on a business of his own in his native district. In 1891 he removed to Newry, going later to C: gher as an auctioneer and stockowner. He rented a large mill at Ballygawley and developed the manufacture of woollen yarns. A private limited company, of which he was the managing director, was formed, and in the year 1918 the business was removed to Clogher.

Mr. Coote was a Justice of the Peace for the County Tyrone since 1901 and a County Councillor since 1913.

MR. GOMPERS DEAD.

REMARKABLE CAREER OF THE U.S. LABOUR LEADER.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

Mr. Gompers, the grand old man of the American Federation of Labour, died almost immediately after the train which had brought him from Mexico City reached American soil. The primary cause of death was heart failure, but the aged Labour leader was also suffering from a complication of diseases.

The body is being brought to New York via Washington, and the funeral of the dead leader will be of an imposing character, every Labour organisation in America having expressed a desire to take part.

Before he breathed his last Mr. Gompers is reported to have said, "God bless our American institutions; may they grow better day by day."

The body will be interred in Sleepy Hollow Cemetery, near the graves of Andrew Carnegie and William Rockefeller.

Mr. Gompers was born in London in 1850, and went to America as a boy of 13. He got employment in a cigar factory, and became President of the Cigarmakers' International Union before he was 20 years old. In 1882 he became President of the American Federation of Labour, and held that office with but one year's interruption until his death. During the war the steady, old-fashioned moderation of his character and his popularity with the American workers enabled him to defeat the subversive tactics of the "Industrial Workers' of the World." He was largely responsible for America's participation in the war, and he refused to meet enemy Socialists while hostilities continued. He concentrated his endeavours on action through trade unions, and would have nothing to do with political or class action; for this reason he was often in conflict with Communists. He wrote many pamphlets on Labour questions. In 1918 and 1919 he presided over the International Commission on Labour, at the Peace Conference.

PARIS COMMUNISTS.

DEMONSTRATION AT RUSSIAN EMBASSY.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Sunday.

A party of about 100 Communists, accompanied by a band, marched this morning to the Soviet Embassy, in the Rue de Grenelle, and were admitted to the courtyard, where they sung the Internationale, to musical accompaniment, while four men on the roof waved a large Red Flag.

The demonstration annoyed some neighbours, who shouted protests from the windows. A small crowd gathered, and for nearly half-an-hour hissed the Communists, who replied vigorously with taunts and threats.

The *Liberté* to-night asks whether the Government is ready to allow the Russian Embassy, now that Krassin is installed there, to become the theatre of Communist demonstrations.

BERLIN ANXIOUS.

SECRET OF THE ALLIED COMMISSION.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Sunday.

Great anxiety prevails in Berlin concerning the report of the Inter-Allied Military Control Commission, which has now finished its preliminary memorandum on Germany's military disarmament. It is on this document that Great Britain and France will base their decision concerning the expected evacuation of the Cologne district on January 10th.

The Inter-Allied Control Commission is keeping its memorandum secret, and Germany is looking forward with the darkest apprehension, though an official at the Wilhelmstrasse declares that the findings of the Commission cannot have been sensational, otherwise the German officers who have been present at all the investigations of the Commission would have known.

It is also feared that delay in the publication of the report may change its colour from a matter of fact report to a political document which might be used as a pretext for England to remain at Cologne beyond the date provided by the Versailles Treaty.

The view at the Wilhelmstrasse, however, is that it is impossible to exaggerate the importance of the question of the evacuation of Cologne. The moral effect, it was pointed out, is even more important than the material effect.

No German Government, it was stated, could stand the shock of the national disappointment that would be caused by postponement of the evacuation, and those who now preach the sermon of fulfilment of Germany's international obligations would be laughed at. The official suggested that if there should be any technical difficulties they might be made the subject of a conference.

DEATH SENTENCES ON EX-PREMIERS.

INSURRECTION SPREADING.

BELGRADE, Sunday.

According to the latest reports from Tirana, the Political Court has sentenced three ex-Premiers—Ahmed Bey, Zogue Elias Vrioni, and Chefket Bey Verlatizi, to death, and two former Ministers to ten years' imprisonment. Their property has been confiscated and placed at the disposal of the State.

According to reports from Prizren the rebels have been successful in the Lioumа district. The newspapers state that the insurrectionary movement is spreading among the Catholic tribes in the North. Martial law has been proclaimed in the Podgradets district in the South.—(Reuter.)

SEWAGE SCHEME FOR LOUGHREA

The Local Government Department have intimated to the Loughrea District Council their willingness to sanction a proposal for a sewage scheme for the town at a cost of £1,400. One of the conditions of the contract is that preference of employment shall be given to ex-Service men of the National Army.

M. HERRIOT ILL.

RESIGNATION TALK IN PARIS.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Sunday.

M. Herriot's general condition is reported to be slightly better this afternoon, but the most hopeful anticipation is that he will not be up for ten or a dozen days. His leg is neither better nor worse. It was feared this morning that an operation might be necessary, but Professor Lecene, who was called in, has decided against this for the present.

Certain writers of the Opposition are already advising the Premier to resign, hoping, apparently, that any change will profit their party, but even Government papers are beginning to face the possibility that M. Herriot may have to take a prolonged rest, and that a successor may have to be chosen.

Several names are being mentioned in this connection, and most prominently that of M. Painlevé, the President of the Chamber, who is speaking for him at Belfort to-day.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

The Premier has been in great pain, but was able to obtain a few hours' sleep last night for the first time for five days.

It is doubtful whether he will be in a fit condition to tackle the many difficult problems demanding his urgent attention. These include, apart from the debates on the Budget and the amnesty in Parliament, the evacuation of Cologne, the preparations for the Allied Finance Ministers' Conference, Inter-Allied debts, and the Franco-German commercial negotiations.

M. Herriot is the outstanding figure in the present Cabinet, and it is largely his personality that makes the alliance between the Radical and Socialist parties a workable combination. The heterogeneous Left *Bloc* is not an easy team to drive, and M. Herriot, if he feels obliged to vacate his office for a prolonged rest, will not bequeath an easy task to his successor. The names of those mentioned for the Premiership in that eventuality are those of M. Painleve and M. Briand.

BURGLAR ATTACKS SERVANT.

EXCITING STRUGGLE.

The Scotland Yard authorities reported last night that John Allinson, a male nurse, aged twenty-five, of no fixed abode, was charged at Enfield yesterday with being concerned, with another man not in custody, in a burglary at the dwelling-house of Mr. Jasper Sisson, The Grangeway, Winchmore Hill, at three o'clock yesterday morning, and stealing therefrom a fur coat and silver articles valued at £50. He is further charged with attempting to choke and suffocate Gladys Keats, a cook in the employment of Mr. Sisson, with intent to render her unconscious or incapable of resistance. Also he is charged with causing grievous bodily harm to Mr. Sisson by striking him in the face with his fists and blackening his eyes.

At midnight on Saturday, the police state, Mr. Sisson retired with his wife and his father-in-law, Mr. Ging, leaving the house secure. At 3.45 on Sunday morning Gladys Keats was awakened by a man switching on the electric light in her bedroom. The man switched off the light and attacked her. She screamed, and he forced the bedclothes into her mouth and had his knee on her chest. She struggled out of the room and was met by her employer and collapsed in his presence. A man appeared and struck Mr. Sisson a violent blow between the eyes and ran downstairs, followed by Mr. Sisson, whom he is alleged to have attempted to strike with a chair. Mr. Sisson closed with his assailant and held him until Mr. Ging came to his assistance. He was detained until the police arrived.

NEW BRITISH ROAD RULES.

NO 20-MILE SPEED LIMIT.

Early in the new year a Government bill will be introduced in the House of Commons to reform road transport. Among the drastic changes expected to be proposed are the following:—

Abolition of the present speed limit of twenty miles per hour.

Heavy penalties, including imprisonment and disqualification of drivers to hold a licence, on conviction, in respect of dangerous or negligent driving.

Heavy road vehicles, now restricted to twelve miles per hour, will, if fitted with pneumatic tyres, be allowed to travel at a faster speed. It is understood that no definite limit has as yet been laid down by those responsible for fathering the bill.

Applicants for a driving licence will have to be physically fit.

The rear lighting of all vehicles, including bicycles, will be made compulsory.

It is understood also that the bill will prescribe a maximum weight for motor vehicles—probably 2½ tons. Penalties proposed for dangerous driving are—For the first offence, a fine of £50 and suspension or disqualification of licence; for a second offence, a fine of £100 and imprisonment for six months; for driving while the licence is suspended, imprisonment up to twelve months without the option of a fine.

These reforms have the support of most of the motoring organisations, all of which are represented on the Departmental Committee which investigated the present traffic problems.

BRIGADE OF GUARDS' MEMORIAL

UNVEILED BY THE PRINCE OF WALES.

The Prince of Wales yesterday unveiled, in the Guards' Chapel, Wellington Barracks, London, a memorial to 14,760 officers and men of the Brigade of Guards who fell in the Great War. The memorial is worked out in antique marble, with pictures in mosaic of "The Annunciation" and "The presentation in the Temple," surmounting which is a frieze of geometrical and floriated design. It was dedicated by Bishop Taylor Smith, Chaplain-General to the Forces. A part of the memorial is an oaken west door to the chapel, executed by ex-Service men from the Lord Roberts' Memorial Workshops.

The building was full of officers, ex-officers and Guardsmen, the chancel being occupied by relatives of the fallen. The unveiling took place after the second hymn. It was performed by the Prince in these words—"To the glory of God and in honoured memory of officers and men of the Brigade of Guards who gave their lives in the Great War, I unveil this memorial."

In a short sermon following the dedication, Bishop Taylor Smith urged that we should thank God for the great victory vouchsafed to an unprepared people, and should refrain from criticisms as to what good the war had done, and whether we were any better off for it. The memorial was that of splendid fellows who had received promotion and been excused the intermediate service.

The band of the Coldstream Guards supplied the music of the Service.

SWEDISH ELECTRIC WORKS DESTROYED.

STOCKHOLM, Sunday.

The Ecks Electric Company's factory at Partille, Gothenburg, was burned down early this morning. Five firemen were injured—one fatally—by a falling well. Three hundred and fifty employés have been rendered idle. The damage is estimated at over £100,000.

The ninetieth anniversary of the transfer of the Greek capital to Athens was celebrated yesterday by a special Mass at the Cathedral, which was attended by an immense congregation, says a Reuter Athens message.

FREE STATE'S STATUS.

BRITAIN'S VIEW OF THE TREATY.

ARTICLE 18.

NOT A COVENANT FOR REGISTRATION.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

GENEVA, Saturday.

The Treaty between the Irish Free State and the British Government was, it will be remembered, registered by the former with the Secretariat of the League of Nations.

I learn that the British Government has now informed the Secretariat that it does not consider there is anything in the Covenant, or in any of the conventions arrived at in connection with the League, which could regulate the relations between the different parts of the British Empire.

The Government does not consider, therefore, that the Treaty in question comes under Article 18 of the League Covenant. This intimation has been circulated to the Governments who are members of the League.

FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Sunday.

The British Government's Note to the League is likely to give rise to an interesting discussion on the *status* of the Irish Free State. Article 18 of the League Covenant, referred to by the British Government, reads:—

> Every treaty or international engagement entered into hereafter by any member of the League shall be forthwith registered with the Secretariat, and shall, as soon as possible, be published by it. No such treaty or international engagement shall be binding until so registered.

In the view of the British Government, the Irish Treaty does not come within the scope of this article. The relations of the Irish Free State to the rest of the world has been the subject of discussion in the Dail in recent months. A number of deputies claimed that in its Treaty-making powers, Southern Ireland was a mother country, and in every way co-equal with Great Britain.

Dail deputies have quoted the example of Canada, which objected to the ratification of the Lausanne Treaty on the ground that the Canadian Government had had no part in its making.

Last October Professor T. Smiddy was accepted by President Coolidge as Minister Plenipotentiary of the Irish Free State in Washington.

The development of Ireland's *status* in the foreign field will be interesting to watch.

VISITORS TO IRELAND.

LANDING OF 100 AMERICANS.

A hundred Irish-Americans arrived at Queenstown yesterday morning by the White Star liner Baltic. They were under the personal conduct of Mr. Thomas J. Cronin, of the White Star Line, New York, who will make a special study of conditions in Ireland with a view to developing the Irish tourist traffic on his return to the United States.

The Baltic also landed a heavy American Christmas mail for the Irish Free State, the total number of bags being 1,065, of which the greater number contain parcel post.

NORTHERN IRELAND CROPS.

FIGURES FOR 1924.

The estimated average yield of the potato crop in Northern Ireland in 1924 was 5.3 tons per statute acre, as against 5.6 tons per statute acre in 1923 and 5.8 tons per statute acre in the ten years 1914-1923.

The estimated average yield of the wheat crop in Northern Ireland in 1924 was 16.8 cwts. per statute acre, as against 17.7 cwts. in 1923 and 18.0 cwts. in the ten years 1914 to 1923. The estimated average yield of the oat crop in 1924 was 16.1 cwts. per statute acre, as against 15.7 cwts. in 1923 and 15.9 cwts. in the ten years 1914 to 1923.

RACES IN AMERICA.

WHAT PERCENTAGE FROM SOUTHEN IRELAND?

Captain John B. Trevor, of New York, has endeavoured, says a special correspondent of the *Observer*, to analyse the racial composition of the 105,710,600 inhabitants of the United States recorded by the census of 1920, and has reached remarkable conclusions, set forth in the following table:—

British and North Irish stock	51,747,680
German (including Jewish elements	12,173,374
Negro and Mulatto	11,463,131
Irish (Free State)	5,063,966
Canadian (English and French)	3,497,053
Italian	3,472,457
Polish (including Jewish elements)	2,759,041
Russian (including Jewish elements	2,434,669
Swedish	1,867,352
Dutch	1,678,463
Austrian (including Jewish elements)	1,316,093
Norwegian	1,250,659
French	1,062,399
Mexican	799,271

If Captain Trevor's figures should be those officially accepted in fixing the immigration quotas, the quota for Great Britain will be 83,315, which is higher than that allowed by the old law, and more than double the quota now permitted, 34,007. On the other hand, Captain Trevor's view that Southern Ireland contributed only 5 per cent. of the racial stock of the United States, if adopted, would reduce the Free State quota from its present figure of 28,567 to about 8,000.

WOMAN DISAPPEARS.

STRANGE AFFAIR IN KILDARE.

Mystery surrounds the disappearance of Mrs. Charles, wife of Mr. Percival Charles, of Co. Kildare, who left the home of her parents at Ardnamulchan, near Navan, where she had been staying, on 2nd December.

It appears that after leaving Ardnamulchan in a Ford car she went to Rathmoylan, near Trim, where she hired a motor to take her to Westland Row Station, Dublin. The Ford car was subsequently found burning on the road, and was ultimately destroyed. The driver of the hired car, named Harnans, proceeded to Dublin, and in the Phœnix Park, near the Gough Statue, a tyre was punctured. Harnans repaired the tyre, but when he had done so he found this lady had disappeared. He went to Westland Row, but could not find her, and returned home. Since then there has been no trace of Mrs. Charles.

On the same evening two young women were injured and taken to hospital as the result of a motor accident, but beyond the fact that the policeman who went to the Park to inquire into the circumstances then encountered the Trim car there is nothing to connect the two incidents, and the Trim driver knew nothing of the accident to the two women.

LADY WILSON.

Lady Wilson continues to make good progress towards recovery. No further bulletins will be issued.

"ECONOMIC HEROISM."

AMERICAN BANKER ON BRITISH CREDIT.

£ TO REACH PAR.

OTTAWA, Sunday.

Addressing the Canadian Club here, Mr. Kahn, the American banker and philanthropist, who has recently returned from a visit to Europe, said that "since the war Great Britain has shown nothing less than economic heroism. She has been an inspiration to the other nations of Europe, and she is about to reap her reward."

The speaker declared that sterling was about to reach its pre-war standing, which was a tribute from the world to Great Britain's economic stability.

Mr. Kahn paid a tribute to Mr. Mackenzie King, the Canadian Premier, who, he said, "practically drafted the charter on which we have proceeded in the United States in the settlement of Capital and Labour problems."—(Reuter.)

REBUFF FOR JUNKERS.

EFFECTIVE REPUBLICAN MOVE IN GERMANY.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Sunday.

In the duel for political power in Germany, there was an effective Republican move yesterday, the Catholic Centre Party definitely deciding not to form part of any Government in which the Nationalist Party was represented.

The Junkers and their allies, the German People's Party, being disinclined to form a minority Government, the political confusion is now complete.

The resignation of the Cabinet is likely to-morrow, when the first meeting of the Reichstag Parties will also be held, in order to try and provide a way out of the present muddle.

HOLLAND FOG-BOUND.

MANY VESSELS HELD UP: MOTORS IN CANAL.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

THE HAGUE, Sunday.

Holland has inherited the fog which hung over England during the past few days. At least fifty vessels are standing by seeking entrance to the Hook of Holland. Several others are likewise standing by at Flushing owing to a thick damp fog. In the port of Rotterdam two ships—British and Belgian—were in collision.

Numerous accidents are reported inland. Two motor cars lost their way, and ran into the canal near Amsterdam.

PREPARING FOR THE HOLY YEAR.

CEREMONIES IN ROME.

ROME, Sunday.

To-day the second reading of the Papal Bull proclaiming the Holy Year was performed with State ceremony.

A most impressive ceremony took place at night inside the Basilica of St. Peter's, when Monsignor Desamper, the Papal major domo, accompanied by Monsignor Caccia Dominioni, and escorted by Swiss Guards and four sediari or carriers of the Papal Chair, bearing lighted torches, adored the Blessed Sacrament, and then approached the Holy Door, where, after half-an-hour's work, masons removed the marble tablet.

They then removed the bronze urns, in Italian Gothic style, containing inscriptions written by Dr. Lapponi, the physician, and Pio Centra, the valet, of Pope Leo, and by Cavaliere de Angelio, Knight of the Cape and Sword, who organised the pilgrimage in the last Jubilee year. They also removed a glass tube containing 12 gold, 30 silver, and 60 bronze medals, half of which commemorated the opening and half the closing of the Holy Door in 1900.—(Reuter.)

VICTORIOUS WITHDRAWAL!

GENERAL PRIMO DE RIVERA SATISFIED.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

MADRID, Sunday.

General Primo de Rivera, the head of the Directory, issued an order to the Army, declaring—"You enter Tetuan triumphant, after accomplishing one of the most difficult operations of war, retiring along narrow passes with the enemy on either flank. The honour and the necessities of Spain demanded this of you.

"Soon we shall go to Sheshuan, without danger, guarded by the very Moors who have fought us. If with your help I have succeeded in accomplishing an important work for Spain, my gratitude will be imperishable."

A NEW REVOLT.

TANGIER, Sunday.

Simultaneously with the retirement of the Spanish troops from the Tetuan-Sheshuan road, the Anjera tribe, freed from the danger of attack on the flank, has risen in revolt. On Friday the Spanish camp at Alcazar Seguir, on the shore of the Strait of Gibraltar, was attacked and captured, several Spanish officers being taken prisoners and held as hostages against air raids. Other less important posts are reported to have fallen and larger posts to be surrounded. This revolt of the Anjera tribe cannot fail to have serious results on the situation, and is much to be regretted.

Abdel Krim, the Riff leader, has been proclaimed at Sheshuan, and a Governor appointed by him has been installed.—(*The Times* Correspondent.)

EXPELLED COMMUNISTS.

ONE OF THE MURDERERS OF THE TSAR.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BRUSSELS, Sunday.

The *Nation Belge* announces that among the Communists who have been expelled from France and are now in Belgium there is a Russian who had been sent from Moscow to Paris in order to organise Communist propaganda and action in France. The same paper asserts that Delodoboroff is one of the murderers of Nicolas II.

GANDHI'S RETURN.

AHMEDABAD, Sunday.

Gandhi has issued a statement promising "much excitement for the most ardent spirits after a year of unity and constructive work."

His return to the arena of active politics is contrary to general expectation, for his recent utterances seemed to foreshadow his retirement from public life. Gandhi admitted that he was unable to compel general acceptance of his views, and made a complete surrender to the Swarajists.—(Reuter.)

SWIMMING RECORDS.

STOCKHOLM, Sunday.

Arne Borg, the famous swimmer, to-day swam 400 metres, free style, in 4 mins. 54.7 secs., and also 300 yards, free style, in 3 mins. 17 secs. These are claimed to be world's records.—(Reuter.)

THE HOLIDAYS.

The Merchant Drapers' Association of Dublin has recommended members to close their establishments on Saturday, December 27th.

LATE NEWS.

THREE DAYS' DEBATE.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S STATEMENT.

In a leading article *The Times* deals with the important debate which begins in the House of Commons to-day, and, after referring to the visits of the Foreign Secretary to Paris and Rome, observes:—Mr. Chamberlain cannot disclose to the House of Commons the details of his confidential conversations with foreign statesmen; but he may be able this afternoon to convey the impressions which they have produced upon his mind in a general survey of the international situation. On the particular subjects to which to-day's amendment is directed his course, at all events, is clear.

The action of the Government in Egypt has commended itself to the nation, and has been justified by its results. It is in essence a continuation of the policy laid down by Mr. Ramsay Macdonald, and firmly upheld by him in action when action became necessary. A Note to Zaghlul was notoriously long overdue, and it was only precipitated by the murder of Sir Lee Stack. There is no turning back on the main road which has been marked out by successive British Governments. What the present Government have done—not a moment too soon—is to insist that the rules of the road shall be observed. This Note of continuity really runs all through the Government policy in its broad lines.

JAPANESE SHIP ASHORE.

100 OF THE CREW REPORTED MISSING.

TOKIO, Sunday.

During a thick fog on Friday night, the Japanese naval repair ship, Kwanto, ran on a reef near Odawara, thirty miles south-west of Yokohama. She broke her back, and of the 140 in the crew of the Kwanto, only 40 have been saved, and the remainder are missing.

Eight bodies have been recovered. One of the survivors says that the ship's boats were smashed on the rocks, and that he swam ashore.

The cruiser Kasuga and the destroyer Zamazake are standing by. The Kwanto was a unit of the Russian Navy until 1904.—*The Times* Correspondent.

NEXT GERMAN CHANCELLOR.

HERR STRESEMANN'S COMMISSION.

In a message from Berlin yesterday *The Times* Correspondent states:—The Socialists, as the last patry to be consulted on the formation of a new Cabinet, conferred with the Chancellor, Herr Marx, yesterday. They were represented by Herren Hermann, Muller, Wels, Dittman, and Hilferding, who said that, in the view of the party, the general election had confirmed the policy hitherto pursued by the late Government and supported by the Socialists, and consequently they were of opinion that if the basis of the Government must be extended, it should be in the direction of the Left. If, in spite of the result of the election, a Government of the parties of the Right were formed, the Socialist Patry would oppose it in the Reichstag by all available legitimate means. The Chancellor accepted the statement without comment. Therewith the possibilities of direct negotiation with the parties were exhausted, and the initiative now passes into the hands of President Ebert.

It is most probable that he will commission Herr Stresemann, the Foreign Minister and Leader of the People's Party, to form a Government, on the principle that as he has brought about the crisis he is entitled to make the first attempt to solve it.

SOUTH AFRICAN NATIVES.

THE INCORPORATION SCHEME.

Telegraphing from Bloemfontein on Saturday, *The Times* Correspondent states:—General Hertzog's support of the incorporation of Bechuanaland in the Union is generally regarded with favour in the Orange Free State, though probably the Prime Minister is not uninfluenced by the necessity for the provision of large areas for the settlement of the natives involved in his segregation policy. *The Friend* declares that the incorporation of all contiguous native territories is the logical development of full self-government inherent in the new Dominion *status*, and is not likely to be refused by the Imperial Government.

Great Britain (it says) may request guarantees for the future of the natives, which the Union is prepared to give. The native territories cannot indefinitely remain part of South Africa and yet out of it, administered in this country but controlled from overseas. Incorporation is a development which may be hindered, but cannot be stopped. This view is very significant because of the peculiar relationship in which Basutoland, situated in the very heart of White South Africa more intimately than Bechuanaland or Swaziland, stands towards the Union and the present reluctance of the Basutos to be incorporated.

DECLINING ENGLISH BIRTH-RATE.

BISHOP OF GLOUCESTER'S WARNING.

The Bishop of Gloucester, in the course of a lengthy letter to *The Times*, written on the Royal Mail steamship Olympic, December 9, says:—The immediate problems of the British Empire and the English race demand rightly the care of politicians. May I be allowed to draw the attention of your readers to one more remote, indeed, but much more serious—the declining birth rate of the English stock—a decline which, unless it be in some way corrected, must ultimately mean the failure of Empire.

Let me begin with Eastern Canada. There was a time when there was a large English-speaking population in the Province of Quebec, both rural and urban. Now it has almost entirely disappeared, and its place has been taken by French-speaking Canadians, except in Montreal, an industrial centre, where there is still an important minority of English and Scotch—a sort of financial aristocracy, and there are a considerable number of artisans, largely immigrants. And the change is creeping westward into Ontario. In a few years there will hardly be an English village or community to the East of Ottawa.

The reason of this change is quite simple. It is that, whereas the French-Canadian is one of the most fertile of races, the families numbering ten or twelve, sometimes rising to as many as twenty, the English have small families, sometimes none at all. If I pass to the United States, I find the same danger. While other races increase rapidly, the American—that is the English stock—increases slowly, or not at all.

The British Empire, concludes the Bishop, has been created and peopled because this island sent out a vigorous and capable stock for commerce, for Imperial rule, and for colonisation throughout the world. If that stock fails the Empire will fail, and we shall have to give way to others who are willing to increase and multiply, and to work with their hands replenishing the earth.

THE RULE OF THE ROAD.

The bill which is to be introduced in Parliament in the course of the next few weeks to revise the existing law, to which the drivers of road vehicles are subject, is certain to excite much controversy. The idea which lies behind it, remarks the *Westminster Gazette*, is that strict, and often vexatious, rules and regulations have been tried and found wanting, and that the time has come for giving the motorist reasonable freedom of action, and punishing him very severely if he abuses it. The speed limit of twenty miles an hour has never been satisfactory. Only those who are fit to be entrusted with vehicles on public roads will be permitted to drive, and if they drive recklessly or negligently, or dangerously, they will be punished severely.

The King will hold a Council next Wednesday.

BROKEN BORDER DISTRICT.

AREA LIKE A JIG-SAW PUZZLE.

CUSTOMS PROBLEMS.

THE COMMISSIONERS AT ENNISKILLEN.

FROM OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

ENNISKILLEN, Sunday.

From Armagh the Boundary Commissioners yesterday transferred their headquarters to Enniskillen. They are staying about a mile and a half outside the town, in a private house overlooking Upper Lough Erne.

On their way from Armagh they visited Monaghan and Clones, and devoted the greater part of the afternoon to a tour of the border, extending from a point north of Lecky Bridge to a point on the Redhills road where the Counties of Cavan, Fermanagh and Monaghan meet.

This probably will be one of the most difficult areas with which the Commission will have to deal. It is the most intricate sector of the border. The boundaries of the three counties dovetail here in such a peculiar position that, for instance, one important main road—that from Rosslea, in Fermanagh, to Redhills, in Cavan—zig-zags through the territories of the two Governments to the number of about half a dozen times.

EFFECT OF RAIDS.

The Commissioners' tour of this area yesterday must have reminded them of something in the nature of a jig-saw puzzle. It was this section that suffered most from the border raids a couple of years ago. Certain loyalists of the Fermanagh portion of the area were kidnapped and taken into the Free State, with the result that, as a measure of precaution, the Northern authorities ordered the destruction of about half a dozen bridges on the River Finn. None of these have yet been repaired. The three principal ones destroyed were the McEntees Bridge, on the Redhills road, the Quiney Bridge and Keady Bridge, north of Clones. Trenches had been made at various points, and to-day there is only one main thoroughfare open—the road from Clones to Enniskillen, *via* Newtownbutler. The conditions now existing in the portions of the area to which I refer have ruined several fine markets, and destroyed the trade of what were progressive little business towns some years ago.

The inconvenience caused by the establishment of a Customs barrier is the subject of much complaint, and the people declare that life is hardly worth living under the new conditions. Only a person thoroughly conversant with these conditions—and the knowledge cannot be gained by a casual visit to the area—can understand the extraordinary situation which the creation of the present boundary here has developed. What with the establishment of the Customs barrier and the destroyed bridges, it is not uncommon for the inhabitants of a particular village to make their purchases in a town across the border, and pay duty on them in taking them back to their homes.

These, and many of their points, were impressed upon the Commissioners by people on both sides of the border yesterday.

AN INTERVIEW.

At Monaghan the Commissioners had an interview, which lasted nearly an hour, with Dr. McKenna, Roman Catholic Bishop of Clogher.

At Clones they went to the Town Hall, where they were waited on by a number of the townspeople. Clones is one of the towns which has suffered considerable inconvenience, and not a little actual hardship, through the establishment of a border and Customs barrier.

Among those interviewed by the Commissioners were the Rev. J. O'Daly, C.C., Dr. Tierney, and Messrs. Henry Slowey and B. Flynn, Urban Councillors.

The Commissioners arrived in Enniskillen about 7 o'clock to-day. They enjoyed a well-earned rest. Mr. Justice Feetham attended Divine Service in the Presbyterian Church in the morning, and Dr. MacNeill attended 11.30 o'clock Mass in the Roman Catholic Church.

The three Commissioners had escorts of plain clothes policemen, two accompanying each Commissioner.

It is expected that to-morrow the Commissioners will make a tour of the Cavan border, taking in Ballyconnell, Swanlinbar and Belleek. It is possible that a deputation from Enniskillen Urban Council may wait on them, either to-morrow or on Tuesday.

FARMERS OF COUNTY DUBLIN.

VIEWS ON THE CITY BOUNDARY.

That any proposal to administer the whole of County Dublin as a city area was fraught with grave dangers to the welfare of agriculture was the decision of a meeting of farmers at Clondalkin yesterday.

Rev. Bro. John presided over the meeting. It was complained that there was no direct representative of the Dublin farmers on the Greater Dublin Commission.

Lusk farmers also met and asserted their intention to oppose the wholesale extension of the city boundary. Deputy Conor Hogan addressed the meeting. The farmers of the country, he said, had to shoulder the consequences of political adventures, and it was near time they made an organised effort to call a halt to the unwarranted extravagance in local and national administration, which was largely responsible for the discontent prevailing amongst every class.

WARNING TO INVESTORS.

COTTON-GROWING SCHEMES.

In its City Notes *The Times* says:—A number of appeals to the investing public may be made in the not distant future by cotton planting companies operating in South Africa, and possibly other parts of the British Empire. Cotton-growing in the Empire is an important movement which deserves every encouragement, but a perfectly good cotton-growing project may be ruined from the investors' point of view by bad finance. There is always a danger that these properties may be capitalised too heavily. It is a common fault of the optimist always to look on the rosy side of things and to allow insufficient margin for unforeseen contingencies. It is desirable, therefore, to warn the investor of the necessity of making a very close examination of any cotton-growing prospectus put before him, and to remember that it does not necessarily follow that, because a cotton plantation is a good one, its finances are good also.

AUSTRALIAN DISPUTE SETTLED.

MELBOURNE, Sunday.

The conference decisions for the settlement of the shipping dispute were unanimous. The settlement includes the steamship, Munroe, which was chartered by the Commonwealth Line.—(Reuter.)

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THE £150,000 CASE.

EXTRADITION OF THE A.D.C. DOUBTFUL.

When William Cooper Hobbs appeared on remand at Bow street Police Court, London, on Saturday, charged with being concerned in receiving a cheque for £150,000 stolen or unlawfully obtained abroad, Mr. Roland Oliver, who prosecuted for the Director of Public Prosecutions, outlined the case. When the magistrate had heard the evidence counsel would ask him to commit Hobbs for trial, not only on the present charge, but on charges of conspiring with a man, named Arthur, now in Paris, awaiting extradition, and with the man named Newton, who would give evidence, to defraud Sir Hari Singh, heir to the Maharajah of Kashmir, of money and of obtaining the money from him by menaces.

Hobbs, counsel said, was able to carry out without much supervision in the name of his office and principals matters of which his principals knew absolutely nothing. The defendant also had a money-lending business in Norfolk street, Strand. He lived at Putney. Arthur had never been in the Regular Army, but had a commission during the war. Sir Hari Singh was heir to the Maharajah of Kashmir, one of the wealthiest and proudest provinces of India.

Mr. Oliver next referred to what he described as the rather vulgar intrigue on which the plot was based that was the subject of investigation at the Court. Sir Hari Singh was, he said, an ideal subject for blackmail. Young, twenty-three or twenty-four at that time—he was fond of society and ladies, and that would make him easy to catch. He was fabulously rich, and that would make him worth catching. Finally, and most important of all, his position was such that if there were any breath of scandal against his name in connection with any white woman he would have been absolutely ruined. That fact made him easier to catch and to be bled white.

Counsel then told shortly the story of the case, as it has already been disclosed in the action by Mr. Robinson against the Midland Bank. Arthur's part, he said, would be played by advising that there was nothing to do except to pay gigantic sums of money when the plot was finally sprung. At first the plot was to come off in London, but for reasons which they might hear of, the venue was moved to Paris. Hobbs asked that the cheque should be kept until the 5th and then presented again. He also wrote to the bank about two cheques for £150,000, drawn in favour of Appleton and Co., and stated that the second cheque would necessitate funds being transferred from India to meet it. He asked that a representative of the bank should arrange with the Rajah in Paris, where he had gone from this country.

Counsel went on to say that a member of the firm of Appleton and Co. would be called to say that they knew nothing whatever about the matter. There was no entry in their books and no trace in the office of Appleton and Co. being connected with any such business.

DEALINGS WITH BANK.

Mr. Oliver then told the story of Hobbs' dealings with the Midland Bank in London, his opening of the account in the name of "C. Robinson," the drawing of £130,000 in £1,000 notes, Hobbs' and Newton's visit to Paris, and the opening of the account at the Anglo-South American Bank there with £120,000, of which Hobbs, Arthur, and Newton, he said, received £40,000 each.

Proceeding, counsel said that on January 14 Sir Hari Singh and Arthur presented themselves at the offices of the Rajah's solicitor, Mr. Waters, and there, in the presence of the Rajah, the story of the finding in bed of Sir Hari and Mrs. Robinson was told. Mr. Waters said: "Well, I suppose you have done nothing." Arthur replied, "We have settled." Mr. Waters said: "What! I told you not to do anything!" Arthur then said, "Yes, we have settled for £150,000," and shrugged his shoulders; and he and his unfortunate master gave the solicitor to understand that it was absolutely essential that scandal should be avoided, and that it was better to pay any sum of money rather than to have any sort of publicity.

That, said counsel, was very good evidence of the sort of menace held over the Rajah. At that time Arthur had £44,000 notes in his possession. Mr. Waters persuaded the Rajah to stop the second cheque, which was never cashed.

Describing what took place subsequently, counsel said, so far, nobody had ever disputed that Hobbs got £4,000. Mrs. Robinson could be proved to have had £3,000 and Mrs. Bevan £3,000 out of £17,000 drawn out of C. Robinson's account at the Midland Bank.

On the 19th, continued counsel, Mr. Waters, the solicitor, succeeded in seeing Hobbs again at Appleton's offices. Mr. Waters said: "This is disgraceful. It is a regular blackmailing conspiracy. I shall want a good deal of that £150,000 back." Hobbs said: "Oh, it is not a conspiracy at all. Mr. and Mrs. Robinson are well known to me."

THE DUMMY CHEQUE.

Hobbs also said he thought it was quite reasonable to stop the second cheque, and should advise that it be put on the back of the fire. On January 21 Waters and Arthur entered Hobbs's offices for the purpose of identifying the second cheque. Arthur was here seen at his very best, said counsel. Hobbs produced a cheque. Arthur looked at it and said: "Oh, yes. That is the second cheque." "The thing they produced was a dummy," said Mr. Roland Oliver. "It was not the second cheque at all. The ridiculous farce, the disgraceful farce, was gone through of burning this thing. The real cheque was not burned. It is here in court, and, of course, was being kept by these people with a view to further blackmailing the Rajah as soon as Mr. Waters was out of the way."

On February 3, proceeded counsel, Arthur wrote this letter to Mr. Waters:—"Dear Mr. Waters,—I sent you from Dover this morning the following wire, according to the Rajah's instructions, which I now confirm:—'Instructions from the Rajah to Waters that all further inquiries be immediately stopped. Mr. Arrow (the private inquiry agent, said counsel) to be instructed accordingly. Matter to be regarded as definitely closed. Letter confirming this follows. Will you kindly carry out these instructions?'"

Arthur himself wrote, said Mr. Oliver, that Mr. Waters should refuse to discuss the matter with anyone, and should ignore the whole thing. "Will you please send the Rajah all papers you have, care of Cook and Sons, Piccadilly? The Rajah wishes to convey his thanks to you for all your kindness." Mr. Waters was for the time being got rid of, remarked counsel.

Counsel added that although it was perfectly obvious that Newton was a conspirator and ought to be in the dock, this case could not be proved without his evidence, and that was why he would appear as a witness for the prosecution. Referring to Arthur, Mr. Oliver said it was extremely doubtful whether Arthur will be extradited. "I should not ask you to accept Newton's evidence without corroboration," continued Mr. Oliver. "In so far as it is corroborated, his evidence is credible. His evidence will be found to be corroborated in many particulars."

When evidence had been taken from a number of bank officials, Hobbs was remanded until Friday.

OBITUARY.

THE REV. H. C. S. MECREDY.

We regret to announce the death, which took place suddenly yesterday, of the Rev. Henry Capel Sandys Mecredy, at Powerscourt Rectory, Enniskerry, Co. Wicklow. Son of the late Mr. Henry Sandys Mecredy, of Kingstown, Mr. Mecredy graduated in Trinity College, Dublin, taking his B.A. Degree in 1895, the Divinity Testimonium the following year, and his M.A. Degree two years later. Ordained Deacon in 1897 and Priest in 1898, he was appointed Curate of Carysfort in 1897, and served there for four years, spending the following five years in a similar capacity at St. Mark's Church. In 1907 he was appointed Incumbent of Powerscourt, which position he filled for seventeen years. He was greatly esteemed by his parishioners.

THE REV. BROTHER KEANE.

The Rev. Brother M. X. Keane, who has died at Carriglea Park School, Monkstown, aged 51, was a native of Newcastle, County Limerick, and for the greater part of his life was engaged in industrial school work. He commenced his religious career in Cork, where he spent upwards of ten years, and was afterwards superior at Galway.

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AGRICULTURE IN UNITED STATES.

CONDITIONS IMPROVED.

WHEAT AND COTTON SITUATION.

WASHINGTON (By Mail).

The Department of Agriculture informs President Coolidge in its annual report that American agriculture, on the whole, occupies the best position it has held since 1920, but says that much further recovery is required to bring it back to its pre-war condition.

The Secretary for Agriculture further states that this year's harvest was the finest in five years. Though not the greatest in volume of products, it was the best balanced and represented the best income; but the improvement that has taken place has not yet lasted long enough to produce any marked betterment in the finances of the farmer. As a matter of fact, the suffering of many farmers is, perhaps, as intense to-day as it was in the first years of the depression period, because the effects of the depression are cumulative.

In the main, it may be said that the year will bring increased income to the surplus producing regions, to the corn belt, and possibly to the cotton States.

PROFITS FROM WHEAT.

The outstanding event in the agricultural history of 1924 has been the wheat situation, says the report. The apparent surpluses of bread grains have been much reduced, and the world's crop promises to be between 300,000,000 and 350,000,000 bushels below that of last year. Exportable surpluses in the principal producing countries have been reduced, and the requirements of the importing countries have been increased. The demand for wheat from the United States should be stronger than it was last year. Wheat promises large yields per acre, and a total crop larger than that of last year is expected on a reduced acreage.

The outlook for cotton is promising. This year's crop should contribute approximately 1,500,000,000 dollars to the purchasing power of the cotton growers. Cotton yields this year have, for a time, at any rate, set at rest any fear that American cotton production will not again be able to meet the world demand.

The live stock industry is on a firmer foundation than at any time since the price collapse of 1919 and 1920, although 1924 was not a year of good profits for cattle and hog producers.

MR. DE VALERA AND THE BOUNDARY.

ADVICE TO REPUDIATE THE TREATY.

Mr. de Valera was the principal speaker at a largely attended Republican demonstration at Gorey, County Wexford, yesterday. He said that in 1917 they pledged themselves to work together for the complete independence of Ireland, and they drew up a Constitution in order to avoid differences among themselves. Under that Constitution the Irish people had the right to choose their own form of Government. If the Irish people became properly organised they need not be afraid of any foreign Power; but at present a section of the people was being exploited by England. The Irish people would never surrender their sovereignty to a foreign Power.

Referring to the boundary question, Mr. de Valera described the boundary as a myth. It was quite clear from documents and reports of the time before the Treaty that such an idea as a mere rectification of the boundary was not the question at all. It was the wish of the inhabitants that was to determine the Northern area. There was no other clause of limitation in the documents. The Free State Government had copies of these documents, but would not publish them, as they were secret. Whatever was in England's interest could be revealed, but evidently anything in Ireland's interest must be kept secret. His party would not recognise whatever boundary was set up. The Irish people had been tricked about the Constitution, and they would be tricked on financial relations also.

It was England that forced civil war on the country; General Macready's book proved that it was at the instigation of England that the Four Courts were attacked. The only remedy for the present economic situation of the country was to repudiate the Treaty; they could not be worse off than they were at present. It had been said that the Treaty was a stepping stone to the Republic, but the men who said that were drifting towards Imperialism, and they never had the ideals of a Republic.

VALUE OF BELIEF IN IMMORTALITY.

DEALING WITH SOCIAL ABUSES.

"Practical Value of Belief in Immortality" was the subject of a sermon delivered by the Bishop of Tuam (Dr. Orr) yesterday morning at Magdalen Church, Dublin.

Dr. Orr admitted that it was true, in a sense, that the text which he chose (Revelations 20, verses 11 and 12), gave but a magnificent picture of the Apocalypse—just a childish figure. "But, after all," he said, "we cannot talk about things which lie outside the bounds of our experience, except by symbols and figures." Human nature was always trying to acquire greater certainty of knowledge regarding the future life, of which very little was told us in the Bible. And sometimes people said that to think overmuch about the future life would turn religion into other worldliness. "That," he went on, "is a plausible plea, but it is false."

We were much more liable to another danger. People said that we wanted a practical religion; they cried, "We must get rid of our slums." This thing we might do; we might rebuild our slums; but we could not have a good world unless we got rid of the one thing that spoiled life. That was sin.

He thought that it was all-important in these days of keenness in all things affecting social reform to study again and again Our Lord's method of dealing with the social abuses of His time. As an example, he mentioned the abuse connected with the collecting of taxes under the Roman Empire, which made the very name of publican a hateful thing. Our Lord never attacked a system; but he dealt with individuals who were entangled in its meshes, as witness the case of Zacchaeus.

"Why did Our Lord deal with things in this way? Because systems are non-moral, while individuals are moral; systems cannot repent, while individuals can. And so Our Lord did not waste His time hacking, as it were, at the branches of the tree of evil, but went straight to the root of the matter, which is sin. We need not fear failure, because the smallest beginnings in the soul of any man have eternal issues, and God will bring them to perfection; and we need not fail more signally than Christ himself seemed to fail when He hung upon the Cross and asked that great question: 'My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken me?' And God reversed human judgment of apparent failure when He raised Him from the dead. And He will do the same in our case, too."

THIS WEEK'S AUCTIONS OF FURNITURE AND FINE ARTS.

MONDAY.

Ballykilty, Malahide (Bennett and Son); Ballyroan House, Rathfarnham (G. H. Lennon); 9 and 10 Bachelor's Walk (James Hill and Son); 1 Kenilworth road, Harold's Cross (James Allen and Son).

TUESDAY.

The Salerooms, Catherine street, Waterford (John D. Palmer, Waterford); Ballyroan House, Rathfarnham (G. H. Lennon); Riverside, Herbert road (Montgomery and Son); 7 Proby square, Blackrock (Healey and Co., Blackrock); 1 Sandycove avenue, E. (Thos. Dockrell, Sons and Co., Ltd.); 9 and 10 Bachelor's Walk (James Hill and Son).

WEDNESDAY.

Collinstown Park, Co. Dublin (Robert Goff and Co., Newbridge); Ballyroan House, Rathfarnham (G. H. Lennon); 6 Upper Ormond quay (Bennett and Son); 8 Lower Abbey street (Central Auctioneering Company).

THURSDAY.

Collinstown Park, Co. Dublin (Robert Goff and Co., Newbridge); 8 Lower Abbey street (Central Auctioneering Company).

FRIDAY.

Oakly Park, Celbridge (Wm. Montgomery and Son); 8 Lower Abbey street (Central Auctioneering Company).

TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

AUSTRALIAN POPULATION.—The net gain of the population of Australia from migration during the quarter ended November 30 was 10,000.

JACKIE'S NEW BROTHER. — Jackie Coogan has abdicated the nursery of the Coogan household in favour of a baby brother, who was born at Los Angeles yesterday—"Just in time for Christmas," says Jackie.

CHINESE CAPTIVES RESCUED.—The remaining eight of the thirty-eight students and masters of the Canton Christian College, who were recently captured by bandits while on board a launch on their way to the college from Canton, have been rescued by soldiers.

THE PREMIER'S DAUGHTER.—Miss Baldwin, the Prime Minister's daughter, opened a bazaar to raise funds for the parish of All Saints' Church, Islington. Miss Baldwin undertook to preside over the china stall, at which she remained for the greater part of the bazaar.

THE AMERICAN LAKES.—Navigation on the Great Lakes formally closed on Friday, after a successful season, with very few losses and no congestion in handling grain. The closing grain shipments are comparatively light, and the grain elevator and storage accommodation is ample to handle all supplies coming in.

FOXES FOR FRANCE.—A consignment of 58 of the finest black foxes that ever left Prince Edward Island have been sent to Havre, France. This shipment of foxes is valued at 58,000 dollars, or 1,000 dollars for each fox. They will be used exclusively for breeding purposes.

CHILEAN CABINET RESIGNS. — The Chilean Cabinet has resigned. A personage hitherto unconnected with political affairs will form a new Ministry. There are indications that the Government of the country will be carried on by a Government Committee until the elections next May.—(Reuter.)

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS ON AEROPLANES. — In the course of the discussion on the French War Estimates, General Fabry asked that automatic fire extinguishers should be fitted to all aeroplanes. In answer to this question it was stated that by the end of next January there would not be a single plane without an automatic fire extinguisher.

A CHRISTMAS TRAGEDY.—Mrs. Agutter, of Clayton Crescent, Brentford, engaged in making her Christmas pudding, went to poke the fire, in front of which was seated her five-year-old son. The poker struck the handle of a saucepan, knocked it over, and its boiling contents fell on the child, who died at the Brentford Cottage Hospital.

THE HUNGARIAN LOAN.—Count Apponyi, in the course of an interview in Budapest, stated that he thought the Hungarian Loan was too small, and that the period of the loan was too short for the recuperation of Hungary. He suggested that endeavours should be made to procure a loan to finance irrigation schemes on agricultural lands, and thus insure against recurring drought.

AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH.—The Federal and Provincial Government of Canada are collaborating in a programme of research with the object of seeking measures for the control of rust on wheat. The Manitoba Agricultural College is providing a building at a cost of 40,000 dollars. A pathologist and the necessary staff will be appointed as soon as the equipment is ready.

A VETERAN'S DEATH. — Alfred Collins, a Crimean veteran, has died at Portsmouth, aged 91 years. In addition to serving in the Crimea, he was engaged in a troopship during the Indian Mutiny. Returning from the Mutiny he was on board the Arrogant when that vessel fired the salute at Southampton after Queen Victoria had laid the foundation stone of Netley Hospital.

EX-LORD MAYOR ARRESTED. — Robert Hughes, ex-Lord Mayor of Cardiff, was brought before Caerphilly magistrates, at a Special Court on Saturday, charged with obtaining £100 by false pretences. The accused was arrested on a warrant, and remanded. He is an elderly man, and was first Lord Mayor of Cardiff after the city obtained its charter.

AUSTRIA'S ARMY.—Austria has only what is called "a torso of an Army," consisting of not much more than 22,000 soldiers. According to the Peace Treaty, the Republic may have 30,000 men, but the present number, their outfit, and the things belonging to it cost this little country more than two million pounds sterling yearly, says a Vienna correspondent.

THE AEROPLANE'S BIRTHDAY. — Wednesday, December 17th, will be the twenty-first birthday of the aeroplane. It was upon that day that the brothers Wilbur and Orville Wright made their first flight. The total weight of the aeroplane was 750lbs., and that of the engine about 7lbs. per horse-power. The trial took place on the sandhills at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, in the presence of five spectators.

RUSSIANS FOR CANADA. — Immigration officials announce that approximately three thousand Mennonites from Russia will come to Canada next year to settle on Manitoba farms, under the auspices of the Mennonite Colonisation Board. Several thousands of Mennonites have settled on the lands in Western Canada this year, and the Immigration Department reports that all are making good progress.

SUBSIDISED OPERA.—Opera in England is to be subsidised. A director of the British National Opera Company has confirmed the statement that the Trustees of the Carnegie United Trust have definitely agreed to guarantee the Opera Company against loss in the production of a number of approved operas, which could not be produced with any hope of commercial success, but which it is felt are of educational value.

THE HULL EXECUTION.—Commander Kenworthy, replying to the Home Secretary's reference to the Hull execution, stated that it was the duty of local members of Parliament to represent public opinion. Smith's petition was signed by 90 per cent. of the adult population of the city, and he believed the action of the Home Secretary in receiving the deputation prevented a spontaneous strike and possible disorder.

FUTURE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL. — Three hundred persons attended a land auction at Canberra, the future Commonwealth capital. One hundred and four business and 289 residential lots on 99 years' leases were offered, subject to revaluation after twenty years. Altogether 160 leases were sold of a capital value of £60,000. The auctioneer said he expected that there would be 5,000 residents in Canberra in five years and 10,000 within ten years.

DARING BANK RAID. — A gang of six men held up the Royal Bank at Nanaimo, British Columbia, near closing time, and secured fifty thousand dollars. While two men watched the door and while motor cars waited at the kerb with their engines running, another man armed with two guns herded customers and staff to the rear of the bank and compelled them to lie on the floor. The provincial police are scouring the country in an effort to cut off the bandits' escape.

A POET'S DISTRESS.—When Henry Ingham, aged 35, described as a poet, of Essex street, Shoreditch, was charged at Marlborough street, London, with placing himself for alms in Oxford street, a policeman stated that the man went to the West End in a taxi cab, his invalid carriage being placed on top. He exhibited a placard, "Every nerve partially paralysed." His wife said that Ingham's takings averaged a little over £2 a week. He was bound over.

FRENCH CONTRACT FOR ENGLAND. — Sir William Arrol and Cook, of Swansea, Ltd., have been successful in securing an order for about five hundred tons of structural steelwork in the giant switchback which is being erected next year at the Paris Exhibition of Fine Arts and Industries. This order was secured in the face of Continental competition, chiefly owing to the firm's guarantee of very quick delivery, and largely made possible by their association with Baldwins, Ltd., the great steel centre of South Wales.

SCHOOL OPERETTA. — Lord Eustace Percy, President of the Board of Education, witnessed the performance of an operetta by Council School children at Leatherhead. He said that the President of the Board of Education sat for a great deal of his time in an office in Whitehall, a martyr to administrative detail. The last thing he did was to get out and really see the schools over which he was responsible. The performance of the operetta was as good a sign of the state of the school as any number of examinations.

RAILWAY ACCIDENT IN YORKSHIRE. — On Saturday morning an accident took place on the railway at Crofton West, near Wakefield, two men in the employment of the L.E. and S. Railway Company sustaining fatal injuries. A fireman, aged 22, and a driver, aged 51, got on to a goods train in order to take up their duties. Further down the line they were standing on what is known as the splasher between the engine and the tender, and on reaching Crofton West the tender became detached from the engine, and the two men, falling into the four-foot way, about fifty of the waggons passed over their legs. After much difficulty they were extricated. They were in great agony. Grierson's left leg was amputated and Saxton's both feet were completely severed. Both died in hospital.

THE BESSARABIAN WOLF.—The whining of a lone wolf has caused a sensation in Matlock, the Derbyshire spa. The Council bought two wolves for the menagerie, and when travelling on the railway they escaped, and held up an express for some time before being captured. One wolf died, and the other whines so pitifully night and day that many complaints have been made to the R.S.P.C.A. Inspector Busby visited the menagerie, and declared that the lone wolf is in good health. He declined to confirm allegations of cruelty.

A SOLO IN COURT.—William Newton was charged at the South-Western Police Court, London, with begging in the street at Wandsworth. "I was not begging," he said, "I was giving a performance." A police constable said that defendant made an attempt to play a tin whistle when someone approached. Mr. Scanlon—Play something. Newton thereupon played "Annie Laurie," everyone in court listening attentively. At the conclusion, Mr. Scanlon said: "I will not ask you for an encore, but you are discharged."

KING AT FOOTBALL MATCH. — A crowd of 20,000 people assembled on the Rugby ground at Twickenham on Saturday, to witness the match between the All Blacks and the Combined Services team, and when the King arrived he was given an enthusiastic reception. His Majesty was received by the officials of the Rugby Union, and when he entered the playing field the band of the Royal Air Force played the National Anthem. The match ended in a win for the All Blacks by 25 points to 3.

SPANISH HELICOPTER'S EXPLOIT. — Senor Cierva, the Spanish engineer, who has invented a new type of helicopter, called the Autogiro, has made another trial flight. With his engine stopped, he flew from the Cuatro Vientos Aerodrome to the Getafe Aerodrome, a distance of 12 kilometres, in 8 minutes 12 seconds, at an average height of 50 metres. He made a normal landing, the landing being completed at a spot between 22 and 26 metres from the place where his machine first touched.—(Reuter.)

THE MUSICAL BARBER.—To mark the completion of 52 years as organist and choirmaster of St. Mary's Church, Cowes, Mr. W. E. Moon has been presented with an illuminated address and clock. Mr Moon combines the duties of organist with the business of a barber. In the reign of Queen Victoria he waited on many members of the Royal Family at Osborne, and he claims to have cut the hair of six European monarchs. Several of his musical compositions have been accepted by royalty.

NEW FRENCH AMBASSADOR. — M. A. de Fleuriau, the new French Ambassador, arrived at Victoria from Paris yesterday evening, and was greeted by a group of his colleagues at the Embassy and the Military and Naval *Attachés*, besides the French Consul-General and representatives of the United Associations of Great Britain and France. The new Ambassador expressed his pleasure at being once more in England, where he said he had made so many friends during his previous stay of over twenty years.

GIRLS' ESCAPE. — Extraordinary escapes from death were experienced by two Wolverhampton girls—Charlotte Gittoes, aged 21, and Nellie Reed, aged 25—at West Bromwich Station on Saturday night. Whilst waiting for a train, one girl overbalanced at the platform edge, and her companion, making a desperate attempt to save her, both fell in front of the incoming train. When the engine was brought to a standstill it was found that both girls had had miraculous escapes, having fallen between the inner rail and the platform wall. They were seriously injured, and were conveyed to hospital in a critical condition.

FRENCH VITAL STATISTICS. — Provisional figures, giving the French birth rate and death rate for July, August, and September, show that although there were 481 less births as compared with the corresponding three months in 1923, the death rate, especially among children of less than one year old, was so much lower in 1924 than the excess of births for these three months was 48,463 for 1924, as compared with 34,827 for 1923. The totals for the first nine months of the year, however, are not so satisfactory. The number of births was 575,436 in 1924, as compared with 584,456 in 1923, and deaths totalled 521,297, as compared with 506,007 last year. This year's excess of births over deaths was only 53,139, as compared with 78,451 during the first nine months of 1923.—(Reuter.)

THE LIFEBOAT INSTITUTION.—The Prince of Wales attended at the Central Hall, Westminster, yesterday afternoon, the Thanksgiving Service, which concluded the centenary celebrations of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution. The congregation included Mr. Bridgeman, First Lord of the Admiralty, and other representatives of the Navy. There were also present representatives of the Army Air Force, the Board of Trade, Lloyd's, Trinity House, the Port of London Authority, the National Sailors' and Firemen's Union, and various seafaring societies, Sea Scouts, the Naval *Attachés* of several countries and many Lord Mayors. Lifeboat service was represented by seven lifeboatmen drawn from England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales. The service was conducted by the Bishop of Willesden, Rev. Dr. Scott Lidgett, President of the National Council of Free Churches, and the Rev. A. A. Green, of Hampstead Synagogue. Special references were made to the centenary at Services at Westminster Cathedral.

The Prince of Wales attended last Saturday's meet of the Tring Farmers' Draghounds at Halton Camp, near Wendover.

A County Council return shows that London has 5,453 publichouses and beer shops—a reduction of 25 per cent. since 1904.

A scheme for the reorganisation of the London County Council Tramways Department shows savings totalling £36,000 a year.

Lord Lascelles opened a new wing at the Hull Seamen's and General Orphanage last Saturday, and expressed regret that a previous engagement in London prevented Princess Mary from accompanying him.

Thieves who broke into Wolsdon Street Girls' School, Plymouth, secured only a shilling collection in fines from juvenile delinquents, but did considerable damage.

A recommendation to contribute towards a Westminster City Council scheme to cost £35,000 to improve the traffic facilities at Trafalgar square will be submitted to the London County Council at their meeting on Tuesday.

Mr. E. A. Dighton, L.M. and S. Railway, Irish Rates Section, Euston, has been unanimously appointed Chairman of the Irish and English Goods Traffic Conference for 1925, succeeding Mr. R. Rowbottom, L. and N.E.R.

NEW ISSUE.

ARMSTRONG-WHITWORTH DEBENTURE ISSUE.

Subscription lists will be opened at the Bank of England to-day for an issue of £3,000,000 Consolidated Mortgage Debenture Stock, bearing interest at 6½ per cent. and issued at £99 10s. per cent. The issue is being made by the firm of Sir W. G. Armstrong Whitworth and Co. for the purpose of funding floating indebtedness incurred in financing contracts for the provision of a town site, warehouses, ships, and other utilities, works and services in connection with the Newfoundland Power and Paper Company, which is expected shortly to be in profitable operation, and also for the purpose of financing other civil engineering contracts. It is anticipated that the receipts from the Newfoundland contracts alone will be sufficient to cover the whole of the interest on and redemption of the issue. The whole of the Debenture Stock is redeemable at par on 16th December, 1939, but at any time after December, 1925, the company may commence redemption by drawings at £102 per cent. There are 4 per cent. Debentures for £2,500,000 and 6½ per cent. Second Mortgage Debenture Stock for £3,757,000 outstanding. The assets total over fifteen millions. The profits during the past three years averaged £671,000, and, after providing for Prior Debentures and Notes, there remains £352,000, out of which the interest on the present issue will take £165,000, so that the issue is well secured. The subscription list will open to-day and close on or before Thursday next. Applicants should use the form attached to the prospectus on Page 11.

IRISH BROADCASTERS.

Sir Horace Plunkett will broadcast a talk on "Country Life" from the London station of the British Broadcasting Company tomorrow night immediately after the news announcements at seven o'clock. The lecture will be relayed by all stations, including Belfast.

Sir James Percy will broadcast next Wednesday evening from London at 6.40. The title of his "talk" is "Motoring—Since the Early Days."

WHY MR. McCABE RESIGNED.

CRITICISM OF THE GOVERNMENT.

Mr. A. McCabe, addressing the County Sligo Executive of the Cumann na nGaedheal at Ballymote yesterday, explained the reasons for his resignation from the Dail.

He declared that the position of himself and his colleagues had been misrepresented. They were not designing the overthrow of the Free State Government.

The feeling that a man who voted against the party in power voted against the Constitution, and all it stood for, was a survival of their subjection days when everybody who criticised the Irish Party of the day, especially from inside its own ranks, was a traitor and a factionist. This intolerance of criticism was a big factor in killing the Irish Party, and it might kill Cumann na nGaedheal, too.

There was no party in the Dail at the moment with the courage and energy to face the Ministerial party on all or any of the critical issues now before the country. They would speak all right and they would vote, but always when the Government had a safe majority. That was the big sham that was being enacted every other day in the Dail, and he, for one, felt it was necessary to cut themselves away from that sham atmosphere for a while if they wished to recover the necessary energy and authority to kill it.

LIVE OPPOSITION WANTED.

The remedy for the present menacing condition of affairs in the country was a real live Opposition in the Dail, that would not only vote relentlessly and fearlessly against the present Ministry, but face the responsibility of forming an alternative Government. That was the only way of averting the calamity threatening them if a long monopoly of power was given to the present Ministry.

Mr. McCabe then dealt at length with the Army crisis of March last, and criticised the action of the Government and late Army Council.

He mentioned that for a long time during the Anglo-Irish conflict he was a member of the Supreme Council of the I.R.B., and was summoned to attend the first meeting of the reorganised body, but, as evidently the lack of enthusiasm he betrayed for the new movement was anything but encouraging to the organisers, he was not summoned to any further meetings.

THE FINANCIAL POLICY.

There were other and just as vital questions as the Army, on which they differed from the Government. They had to do with, amongst other things, old age pensions, reconstruction and tariffs. He voted without enthusiasm for the reduction of 1s. in pensions in response to a party whip, but he did not vote for cuts up to 2s. 6d. and more. He used his utmost endeavours to get the Government to begin on top—with Mr. Healy's salary, in fact—when imposing the cut. He regretted he ever voted for the pensions cut, and was in favour of a complete reversal of the present Ministerial policy in this regard.

They advocated a policy of reconstruction, founded on sound finance, to oil the wheels of industry, to provide work for the unemployed, and to stop, if possible, the chronic haemorrhage of emigration. The Government were trying to pay off costly debts out of revenue, too proud or too silly to borrow, breaking the backs of the population paying debts that were as much the obligation of four or five succeeding generations as of ours.

THE DOG AND ITS TAIL.

This generation had done sufficient already without asking it to pay any war charges. The policy of the present Ministry was to work solely on internal loans, which he might aptly describe as a policy of trying to feed a dog on his own tail. It was simply insanity to confine their borrowing to a community already drained dry.

Mr. McCabe also described the administration of the land, and said that there and in the neighbouring Parish of Bunninadden over eight or nine farms were left on the hands of a number of disinterested people, including himself, who pledged their credit for them in Sinn Fein days, and had since held them in trust for deserving landless men.

The trustees were now in a desperate plight, and, although they purchased them in the name of the nation at the time, they appealed in vain to the so-called national Department of Agriculture to relieve them of the dead weight.

"SLAVES AND STUPIDS."

MISS MARY MACSWINEY ON IRELAND.

"*Insula Servorum et Indoctorum*" was the title of a lecture delivered by Miss Mary MacSwiney at 110 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, on Saturday afternoon to a small audience.

Miss MacSwiney said that the title of her lecture, when freely translated, meant "The Island of Slaves and Stupids." Their ancestors had won the title of saints and scholars. That title had lapsed for many years, but it was one which they would like to deserve again, and one which, she held, they would deserve again at some time. The first way to deserve it was to face the truth of the present situation. One could not say that there was a great deal of sanctity, at least apparently, in our lives to-day. But scholars! She doubted if they could count ten scholars in the whole of this country—scholars as they were known generations ago.

While the country was in the state of subjection to which it had been brought by England, it was impossible for scholarship to develop, and, personally, she doubted very much the possibility of starting a policy of sanctity in an atmosphere of slavery. They should have the freedom of the children of God before they could have sanctity. It was the servility of mind which had crept into their countrymen, especially since the early years of the nineteenth century, that had done more to rob them of their title than any possible persecution of body could do.

Referring to the Irish language, Miss MacSwiney said that now, when it was made compulsory in the schools, they had all the anti-Irish elements on their hind legs protesting against it. There would be no place in this country for people who refused to learn the national language. They would have to get Irish taught as the normal language of the country, and they would have to do that with as little loss as possible to general education. They should see that they lost nothing, but that they gained by having to learn Irish.

The attempt to establish a Gaelic University, she said, was a laudable one. There was no really Gaelic University in Ireland at present. The National University produced good men, but there were also some whose attitude seemed to be one of would-be cynicism and superficial mockery of everything that was good. Everything they did in the National University was shoddy, and, as compared with Universities such as Oxford and Cambridge, it was poor.

Miss MacSwiney added that she would like to see religion thoroughly taught in the schools.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN ULSTER.

The Commission appointed by the Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland to inquire into the cost and efficiency of the local government and poor law services in Northern Ireland sent a questionnaire to all boards of guardians in the Northern territory. Practically all the boards of guardians who have submitted evidence are unanimous in the opinion that the time is over-ripe for some reform of the present poor law, which dates back to 1838.

The main points discussed are the retention or dissolution of unions, and the advisability or otherwise of institutional treatment for the destitute poor. The Commission have also inquired as to the alternative accommodation which might be suggested for the present inmates of workhouses. Respecting the dispensary and hospital system at present prevailing in Northern Ireland, suggestions have been invited as to the adequacy and efficiency of these services. The question of the introduction into Northern Ireland of the medical benefits system at present in force in Great Britain has been made the basis for a special question.

There is no demand for toy soldiers in the German nurseries of to-day, says a Berlin correspondent.

With some experience of the judicial systems of Europe, I say that our judges are the finest body of judges that the world can produce.—Sir Ellis Hume-Williams.

U.S. MARKETS.

STOCKS CLOSED STRONG.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, Sunday.

Stocks opened strong and advanced on favourable trade reviews, higher exchange rates and depleted floating supplies of stocks. Oils advanced 1 to 4 points, and some Van Sweringen issues and Motor shares touched the highest prices for the year. The market closed strong. Government Bonds steady. Railroad Bonds irregular. The day's sales totalled 880,000 shares. Money dull and nominal. Sterling exchange firm; silver ⅛c. lower for foreign mined at 68⅞.

Rises—Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe Shares, 1; Baltimore and Ohio Common, Canadian Pacific, Anaconda Copper, General Electric, and Bethlehem Steel Common, 1; Illinois Central, 1½; Missouri, Kansas and Texas and Royal Dutch Petroleum, ⅝; Reading Shares, 1⅛; Texas and Pacific and American Smelting and Refining Common, 1¼; National Lead, 1½; Pan-American Petroleum Ord., 2⅛; Shell Union Oil Corporation, ½; and U.S. Rubber, 2.

Falls—Chesapeake and Ohio Common, 1⅛; Erie Railroad Shares, 1; Louisville and Nashville, ½; and Missouri Pacific New Stock, 1½.

Missouri Kansas 5 p.c. Adjustment Bonds advanced ⅛.

	Fri.	Sat.
Call Money	2½ 1¾	Nom.
Exchange on Lon. 60 days sight	4.66	4.66½
Do. do. Demand Bills	4.69⅛	4.69⅝
Cable Transfers	4.69	4.69¾
Do. Montreal	4.71¾	4.72¾
Exchange Paris, cable	5.34	5.37

Eng. Parity	Stocks	Closing Bid Business Prices. Fri.	Done. Sat.
106⅞	U.S. Funded	102⅛	102⅛
123¾	Atch., Top., Santa Fe	116¾	117⅝
100	Do. Preference	94	94½
81⅝	Baltimore and Ohio	78½	79¾
157	Canadian Pacific	149	150¼
102⅞	Chesapeake Ohio Com.	97⅛	96¾
18	Chic., Mil. & St. Paul	16½	15⅞
77⅞	Chicago and N.-West.	73	73
34⅞	Erie Shares	32¼	32¼
51⅞	Erie 1st Preferred	46⅞	46¼
75⅞	Great Northern Pref.	71⅜	71⅝
124⅞	Illinois Central	115	116½
79	Lehigh Valley	74½	74½
109⅛	Louisville & Nashville	103½	103
32⅞	Missouri Kan. & Texas	30⅝	30⅞
33⅞	Missouri Pacific New	32⅜	31⅞
[illegible]	Nat. of Mexico 1st Pref.	5⅝	5⅜
2⅝	Do. 2nd Pref.	2⅜	2⅜
124⅞	N.Y. Ctl. & Hudson R.	116⅞	117
131	Norfolk and West Com.	123	123
74	Northern Pacific Com.	69¾	69¾
30⅞	Ontario and Western	29¼	29¾
51⅞	Pennsylvania Shares	48⅜	48⅜
75⅞	Reading Shares	69	70¼
39⅞	Do. Preferred	39½	39½
83⅞	Southern Railway	77½	77½
109⅝	Southern Pacific	102⅜	102⅜
48⅞	Texas and Pacific	45	46¾
156⅞	Union Pacific	147⅝	147⅝
78¾	Do. Pref.	74	74
22	Wabash Common	21½	21½
60¾	Do. Preferred A.	56½	56½
93⅞	American Smelt. and Refining	56⅝	57½
44⅞	Anaconda Copper	41½	42
27⅞	British-American Tobacco Ord.	25⅛	25½
18¾	Utah Copper	83	83
81¾	New York Consolidated Gas	78¼	78¼
293⅞	General Electric	275½	270
167⅞	National Lead	165	167
129	United States Steel Common	117⅞	117⅝
128⅞	Do. Pref.	121	121
51⅞	Bethlehem Steel Com. Stock	49	48¼
—	Silver Commercial Bars	68¾	69½
64⅞	General Motors (New)	60⅝	61
14⅞	Inter. Mer. Marine Com. Certs.	13⅝	13¾
47⅞	Do. Pref. Certs.	44	44⅜
51⅞	Royal Dutch Ordinary	47⅞	48¼
41⅞	Shell Ordinary	39⅝	39¾
61¼	Pan-American Petroleum Ord.	56½	58
18¾	Anglo-American Oil	17⅞	17⅞
22⅞	Shell Union Oil Corp.	20⅞	21½
48⅞	U.S. Rubber	38⅞	40⅞
	BONDS.		
91⅞	Atch. Top. New 4% Gen. Mort.	88¾	88½
68	Erie Rail Gen. 4% Lien Bonds	64½	63⅞
—	Reading 4 p.c. Mortgage Bonds	—	—
95⅞	Union Pacific 4 p.c. Bonds	90⅜	90¼
111⅞	U.S. Steel 2nd Mort. 5% Bds.	104⅜	104½
122¾	U.K. 5½ per cent. Bonds, 1929	113⅜	113⅜
111⅞	Do. do. 1937	104⅞	104⅞

*Asked. † Ex div. ‡ Ex interest. ‖ Ex rights.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

WHEAT steady, ½c. up.

	To-day.	Prev. day
No. 2 Hard Winter, spot	179¾	179
No. 2 Red Winter, spot	188	188¾
No. 2 Mixed Durum, spot	178	177¾
No. 1 Northern Manitoba, spot	190¾	190½

	To-day	Same day last year.	This season.	Last season.
Receipts—Atlan.	1,095	846	187,690	142,620
Clearances „	366	800	179,889	128,383

(In thousands of bushels.)

Wheat sales for export—35 boatloads.

RYE—No. 2, spot, 148¼. Sales for export—10 boatloads.

BARLEY—American malting, 99¼.

MAIZE firm, 1c. higher.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Western No. 2 mixed, spot	143¾	142¾

	To-day.	Same day last year.	This season.	Last season.
Receipts—Atlan.	24	149	4,955	5,492
Clearances „	—	—	1,411	1,500

(In thousands of bushels.)

LARD firm, 5 to 10 points higher. Prime Western steam, 17.27½; Middle West, 17.00 to 17.10.

FLOUR steady. Spring Clears, 100 per cent., 7.50 to 7.75.

FREIGHTS.

Heavy grain to Great Britain, per quarter, 2/- to 3/-.

Heavy grain to Continent, per 100 lbs., 10c. to 14c.

Cotton—High density to Great Britain, per 100 lbs., 35c.

Cotton—Standard bales, 50c.

RUBBER dull. First latex crepe, 37½ buyers, 37¾ sellers; smoked ribbed sheets, 37¼ buyers, 37½ sellers.

PETROLEUM steady.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Mid-Continent Crude	1.10	1.10
Standard White in cases	16.90	16.90
Standard White in barrels	13.50	13.50
Do. Philadelphia	13.50	13.50
Pennsylvania crude	2.75 2.85	2.75 2.85

COFFEE opened firm, 12 to 30 points higher, and showed further improvement owing to firm Brazilian advices and buying by trade interests and importers. Later partial recessions took place under realising, but the market closed steady, 35 to 20 points up. Spot steady, ¼c. higher for Rio No. 7 and unchanged for Santos No. 4; Rio No. 7, 21¼; Santos No. 4, spot, 26¼. Approximate day's sales—53,000 bags.

Futures—Options—	Dec.	Jan.	Mar.	May.
To-day	19.93	19.60	18.85	18.15
Prev. day	19.55	19.25	18.55	17.80
	June.	July.	Sept.	
To-day	17.85	17.50	16.95	
Prev. day	17.55	17.30	16.70	

SUGAR—Futures steady and unchanged to 4 points up. Centrifugal Cuban, spot, steady; 96 test Centrifugal Cuban, 5.02. Approximate day's sales—22,000 tons.

Options—	Dec.	Jan.	Mar.	May.	July.
To-day	3.84	3.14	2.98	3.02	3.15
Prev. day	3.83	3.14	2.98	3.01	3.11

TALLOW steady; extra loose, 10⅜.

COTTONSEED OIL steady; prime summer yellow spot, 11.00; option—January, 11.40; March, 11.56; May, 11.87; July, 12.05.

SHELLAC—T.N. spot, 64¼.

TURPENTINE—Spirits of turpentine, 85½; Savannah spirits of turpentine, 77.

RESIN—Grade F, 6.37½; K, 6.55; WW, 8.20.

BURLAPS quiet; Hessian cloth, light-weight, 8.10; heavy-weight, 9.85.

METALS—Tin steady and unaltered; spot, 55.37½; future option, 55.37½; tinplates, 5.50. Lead steady, 9.12½. Zinc steady; at St. Louis, spot, 7.30. Iron steady; No. 2 American Northern Foundry, 22.00 to 22.50. Electrolytic Copper steady; spot, 14⅝; future option, 14⅜ to 14⅞. Steel—Bessemer Rails, 43.

OUTSIDE U.S. MARKETS.

KANSAS CITY—Wheat barely steady, ½c. lower; No. 2 hard winter, spot, 163¼.

ST. LOUIS—Wheat dull; No. 2 red winter, spot, not quoted.

MINNEAPOLIS—Wheat firm, 1½c. dearer; No. 1 Northern spring, spot, 163¾.

WINNIPEG—Wheat opened barely steady, ⅛c. to ⅛c. cheaper, and closed easy, 1⅛c. to 1¼c. down; opening options—May, 172¼; July, 170⅛; closing options—May, 171⅛; July, 169⅛. Oats steady and unaltered. Closing options—December, 61⅛; flaxseed, May, 266.

Wheat receipts (carlots)	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 1 Northern	107	136
No. 2 Northern	149	137
No. 3 Northern	127	127
No. 4 Northern	145	162
Other grades	231	175
Total	755	748

NEW YORK COTTON.

COTTON opened steady, but 9 to 21 points lower, on disappointing cable advices and selling by spot and foreign interests; then rallied on the trade and southern operators buying and Wall street and local bull support. The downward movement was resumed later under realising sales and selling for New Orleans account, and the market closed steady at 13 to 2 points fall. Spot quiet and 10 points down. New Orleans, spot, 10 points lower. The current week's receipts of cotton at the ports are estimated to total 325,000 bales.

Spot, middling upland, at New York, 23.60.

Spot, middling upland, at New Orleans, 23.50.

Receipts—Atlantic ports, 14,000 bales; Gulf, 25,000; Pacific, nil; interior towns, 30,000. Exports—Great Britain, nil; Continent, 8,000, Japan, nil.

New York futures in the last twenty seconds of trading—December, lowest 23.08, highest 23.40; January 23.18, 23.19; February 23.33, 23.32; March 23.55, 23.58; April 23.78, 23.78; May 23.90, 23.91; June 23.96, 23.96; July 24.06, 24.06; August 23.74, 23.74; September 23.60, 23.60; October 23.33, 23.33; November unquoted.

New Orleans futures in last minute of trading—March, lowest 23.50, highest 23.53; May 23.75, 23.76.

COTTON CONSUMPTION FIGURES.

WASHINGTON, December 13.

The report of the Census Bureau on the domestic mill consumption of cotton during November and stocks of cotton on hand December 1st is as follows:—

(In thousands.)

	Nov., 1924.	Nov., 1923.	Nov., 1922.	Nov., 1921.
Consumption of lint	492	532	578	536
Stock of lint in manufacturing houses	1,047	1,430	1,721	1,685
Stock of lint in warehouses and at compresses	4,914	3,771	4,158	5,271
Exports of lint and linters	1,507	770	858	649
Number of active spindles	31,790	34,101	34,665	34,327

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Saturday.

WHEAT opened irregular, 1c. up to unchanged. Values advanced owing to decreasing stocks, smaller interior receipts, outside support, smaller country offerings, and covering of shorts. Reactions took place, however, on cash houses selling and realising sales, and the market closed barely steady at ½c. fall. Spot steady.

	To-day	Prev. day
No. 2 Hard Winter spot	165¾	163½
No. 3 Hard Winter spot	—	161¾
Futures—Opening options—	Dec.	May.
To-day	164¼	168¼
Prev. day	159½	164¼

Futures—Closing options—	Dec.	May	July
To-day	163¾	167¾	147⅞
Prev. day	163⅛	168½	148⅝

	To-day.	Same day last year	This season	Last season
Receipts (W.)	1,136	1,276	384,293	233,976

(In thousands of bushels.)

MAIZE opened steady, ⅛c. to ½c. higher, on small country offerings and a better cash inquiry; then eased off owing to larger receipts, favourable Argentine reports, and realising. The advance was resumed, however, on commission house buying, covering of shorts, small stocks, and bull support; but prices re-declined on unloading by bulls, and the market closed barely steady, ⅛c. to ½c. down on the day.

	To-day	Prev. day
Spot No. 2 mixed	126¾	124¾
Futures—Opening options—	Dec.	May
To-day	127¼	131
Prev. day	...	...

Futures—Closing options—	Dec.	May	July
To-day	126	130¾	130⅛
Prev. day	122½	127⅛	127⅛

	To-day	Same day last year	This season	Last season
Receipts (W.)	952	1,500	106,659	111,188

(In thousands of bushels.)

OATS easier at ⅛c. to ¼c. loss.

Futures—Closing options—	Dec.	May	July
To-day	59⅞	65	63
Prev. day	59⅞	65⅛	63¼

RYE—No. 2, spot, 137¼.

Futures—Closing options—	Dec.	May.
To-day	136¾	142¼
Prev. day	137	141⅛

PROVISIONS opened firm, and prices advanced owing to the firm hog market and favourable European advices. Recessions followed on expectations of heavy hog arrivals in the West next week, also on reactionary selling; but the market rallied again in sympathy with grain and on investment buying. There was some realising in the late dealings, however. There has been no trading in ribs. The market closed steady, with lard 2½ points down to 5 points up and ribs 22½ to 20 points dearer.

Lard—Closing options	Jan.	Mar.	May.
To-day	16.42½	16.55	16.75
Prev. day	16.40	16.57½	16.70
Ribs—Closing options—	Jan.	Mar.	May.
To-day	14.47½	—	14.95
Prev. day	14.25	—	14.75

BACON steady and unaltered.

Short ribbed sides, 60lbs. average, 14.50.

HOGS firm. Light sorts are unchanged to 5 points up and heavy 5 points higher. The week's hog-pack at Chicago totalled 249,000, compared with 276,000 last week and 229,000 in the corresponding week last year.

	To-day.	Same day last year.
Receipts—Western Cities	96,000	72,000
Chicago	13,000	10,000

The receipts of hogs at 15 principal Western centres, including Chicago, since November 1, total 5,846,000, against 5,930,000 for the same season last year.

BROADCASTING.

TO-DAY.

The letters "S.B." signify a simultaneous broadcast from the station mentioned.

LONDON (2LO)—365 Metres.

3.15-3.45—Transmission to Schools. 4.0-5.0—Greenwich Time Signal. Concert; Bertha Rowe (Contralto). 5.0-6.15—Children. 6.40-6.55—Mr. F. G. Bristow—"The Motor Vehicle in Commerce." 7.0—Time Signal from Big Ben, Weather and News. S.B. to all Stations. Major S. E. Austen—"Disease-Carrying Flies." S.B. to other Stations. 7.30—All Stations Programme. Frank Cochrane, Kingsley Lark, Rex Burchell, Doris Vane. The Wireless Orchestra. 9.30—Greenwich Time Signal, Weather, and News. S.B. to all Stations. 10.0—The Savoy Orpheans and Savoy Havana Bands. S.B. to all Stations. 11.0—Close.

BIRMINGHAM (5IT)—475 Metres.

3.30-4.30—Station Wind Quintet, Margaret Ivens (Mezzo-Soprano), Nellie Marsh (Dramatic Recital). 5.0-5.30—Women. 5.30-6.45—Children. 7.0-11.0—Programme S.B. from London.

BOURNEMOUTH (6BM)—385 Metres.

3.45-5.0—David Openshaw (Bass), Reginald S. Mount (Solo Violin), Ethel Rowland (Solo Pianoforte). 5.0-5.30—Children. 5.30-5.45—Lessons in Morse Transmission. 7.0-11.0—Programme S.B. from London.

CARDIFF (5WA)—351 Metres.

3.0-4.0—Orchestra. 4.45-5.15—"5WA's" "Five o'clocks." 5.15-6.0—Children. 7.0—Weather and News. Mr. Richard Treseder on "Gardening." 7.30-11.0—Programme S.B. from London.

MANCHESTER (2ZY)—375 Metres.

3.0-3.30 and 4.0-4.30—Music. 3.30-4.0—Broadcast for Schools. 4.30-5.0—Women. 5.0-6.0—Children. 7.0—Weather and News. 7.15-7.30—Interval. 7.30-11.0—Programme S.B. from London.

NEWCASTLE (5NO)—400 Metres.

3.45-5.15—Marie Bellas (Contralto), Robert Mark (Solo Violoncello), Sam Barraclough (Cornet), and Ignatius Ford (Flugel Horn), Duettists. 5.15-6.00—Children. 7.0-11.0—Programme S.B. from London.

GLASGOW (5SC)—420 Metres.

3.30-4.30—Wireless Quartet. William Gilchrist (Tenor). 5.15-6.0—Children. 6.0-6.5—Weather for Farmers. 7.0-9.40—Programme S.B. from London. 9.40—Capt. C. H. Brown on "Ships and Shipping." S.B. to Belfast. 10.0—The Savoy Bands. 11.0—Close.

LIVERPOOL (6LV)—315 Metres.

3.30-4.30—Orchestra. 5.30-6.30—Children. 7.0-10.0—London Programme.

BELFAST (2BE)—435 Metres.

4.0-5.0—The "2BE" Quintet. 5.30-6.15—Children. 7.0—Weather and News. S.B. from London. Major F. E. Austen. S.B. from London. 7.30—Grace Ivell and Vivian Worth. The Station Orchestra. Orchestra—March, "Jack Tar" (Sousa); Overture, "A Comedy of Error" (Flux). 7.45—Grace Ivell and Vivian Worth—"Don't Mind the Rain" (Miller and Cohn); "What'll I Do?" (Irving Berlin); "Maybe" (Turk, Snyder, and Ahlert); "I Ain't Going Back to Nowhere" (Aleyne). 8.0—Orchestra—"Gipsy Pictures" (Hugh Mallory). 8.12—For Performance of Rhapsody for Cor Anglais and Harp (R. Norman Hay) (specially composed for the B.B.C.) (Cor Anglais—Harold Holt; Harp—Pauline Barker). 8.24—Grace Ivell and Vivian Worth—"Sure As You're Born" (Little, Gillespie, and Shay); "Just Like a Violin" (Hopper); "Hard-hearted Hannah" (Yellen, Bigelow, and Bates). 8.36—Orchestra—"Reverie" (E. MacDowell). 8.42—Grace Ivell and Vivian Worth—"One Little One More" (Sterndale Bennett). 8.52—Orchestra—"Suite de Ballet" ("Princess Gioia") (Campbell); Selection, "Ballad Memories" (No. 1) (arr. S. Baynes); English and Irish Medleys (arr. Somers); Fox-trot, "Hard-hearted Hannah." 9.30—Weather and News. S.B. from London. Capt. C. H. Brown. S.B. from Glasgow. 10.0—The Savoy Bands. S.B. from London. 11.0—Close.

The Messiah (Part I.) will be rendered at the Mariners' Church, Kingstown, to-night at 8 p.m.

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Miss Eileen Tuite, the youngest follower of the Bray Harriers.

Scene in the Supper Room at Olery's Restaurant, Dublin, on the occasion of the Fitzwilliam Lawn Tennis Club Ball.

Jacob (Oxford) breaking through to score against Lansdowne.

The Leinster XV. who defeated Ulster at Lansdowne road.

The Ulster XV., who suffered their first defeat by Leinster since 1909.

Jacob taking a pass from Macpherson, which was penalised by the Referee.

Jacob going through to score for Oxford in their match with Lansdowne.

The Committee of the Fitzwilliam Club Ball.

The Master and some of the Members of Bray Harriers.

COMPULSORY IRISH.

CORK LADY TEACHER'S PROTEST.

Dean Babington presided at the prize distribution to pupils of Rochelle Seminary, Cork, when the Principal, Miss K. M. Bewley, protested against the Free State Government's policy in regard to the Irish language.

"Irish is not yet actually upon the programme as a compulsory subject," said Miss Bewley, "but in 1928 it will become an essential subject for the Intermediate examination. This means that the junior classes who will take the examination in that year must begin the subject already, and Irish will be compulsory for an increasing number of pupils each succeeding year.

"Undoubtedly, the idea underlying this action is the very mistaken one that a national spirit cannot exist apart from a national language, and so the Government have adopted their extraordinary short-sighted policy, blind to the utter impossibility of its success, blind to the barriers it will set up between North and South, and between Ireland and the rest of the world, and indifferent to the legitimate rights of the parent as to the education of his children.

"Heads of schools are protesting and have protested against what can only be called tyranny. References have been made to it in sermons and other public utterances, but what is needed most is an organised protest on the part of those who are, after all, most concerned—namely, the parents of the children, if this danger which threatens to lower the standard of our general education, and to handicap our pupils in after life is to be averted."

ILLICIT STILL IN COUNTY CORK.

Superintendent Madden and a party of Civic Guard from Macroom, assisted by the military, while searching the Inchigeela district on Saturday morning, discovered an illicit still in operation. The fire was burning, and a large quantity of the spirit in various stages of manufacture was discovered. The plant was seized and the spirit was destroyed.

QUEENSTOWN AFFAIRS.

COMMISSIONER AND A GRATUITY.

The Commissioner (Mr. Philip Monahan) appointed to carry out the duties of the Queenstown Urban Council held a meeting at the Council's chambers on Saturday.

After reading an application from Michael O'Keeffe, late caretaker of the Queenstown Technical Schools, for a gratuity under Section 8 of the Local Government Act, 1919, consequent on his resignation, the Commissioner stated that applicant was appointed in December, 1916, and he resigned in October, 1924, and according to the Act he would be entitled to the sum of £594 4s. 9d.

"This amount," said the Commissioner, "is chargeable entirely against the urban district of Queenstown, although the Urban District Council contribute only an insignificant fraction of the cost of running the technical schools. The man in question did not submit, in the first instance, to any medical examination, and the result is that the Urban District Council is now liable for this extravagant sum. It is very clear that the law governing this matter is urgently in need of amendment, and I will bring the full facts of the case under the notice of the Ministry of Local Government. Meantime, I direct the Clerk to request sanction for the payment of the £594 4s. 9d."

BLACKWATER FISHERIES.

The opening season of the Blackwater fisheries has not been altered. No change could take place without the consent of the Irish Fishery Department, after a public inquiry.

There are many types and styles, at varying prices, of Waterman pens—pens richly chased in gold or silver, and pens with a plain gold band. Waterman's Combination Writing Set, consisting of a Waterman's Pen and Pencil to match. Messrs. L. G. Sloan, Ltd., "The Pen Corner," Kingsway, London, W.C.2, will supply a copy of the interesting "Pen Book" free on request.

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JUVENILE EMPLOYMENT.

At a meeting of the Dublin Advisory Committee for Juvenile Employment, Mr. John Good presiding, a letter was received from Dr. Russell, Medical Officer of Health, informing the Committee that their recommendations for amendment of the by-laws in respect of street trading by persons under the age of sixteen had been referred to the Law Agent to put into form for submission to the Commissioners in Council.

It was decided to send a further communication to the Minister for Justice urging the removal of the Children's Court from the precincts of the Police Court to a separate building.

A SOLDIER'S SUICIDE.

Last Saturday an inquest was held on Private Joseph Reginald Davis, aged 21, of the 23rd Infantry Battalion, National Army, who died in St. Vincent's Hospital, Dublin, on Friday from a gunshot wound in the head. Deceased, who was a native of Walshestown, Curragh Camp, was one of the guard at Government Buildings, Merrion street. He had been in the Army since September, 1922.

Evidence was given by comrades of deceased and the officer in charge of the detachment, Captain McGee, who said that deceased was abnormally quiet. A letter written by the dead man to a comrade was read, in which complaint was made against a corporal.

The Coroner said that no importance could be attached to the letter, because all the evidence was that deceased was on good terms with everyone. There was evidence that he was depressed, and such people were liable to lose their mental balance and commit suicide.

A verdict of suicide while temporarily insane was returned.

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ROYAL IRISH ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

The students of the Royal Irish Academy of Music had a large company at their "guest night" concert in the Academy hall on Saturday evening. As usual at those musical reunions, the programme was attractive all round, and in some instances unusually brilliant. Such was Mr. Victor Love's rendering of the Beethoven Sonata in E flat, which roused the critical audience to enthusiasm.

Another delight, unexpected by quite a number, was Miss Lallia Fineberg's singing of two songs in Russian, a Berceuse by Gretchaniov and the Rimsky-Korsakov, "Hindoo Merchant's Song." There was a warmth of feeling about the latter that lifted it far above the ordinary.

Miss Dorothy Stokes (piano) and Miss Nancie Lord (violin) played the Dohnanyi Sonata in C sharp minor with brilliance. Miss Rhona Clarke and Miss Hilda Shea played a pianoforte duet by Rachmaninov, and the others who contributed to the programme were Miss Eleanor Reddy, violin; Miss Hilda Wallis, Mr. T. G. Wallis, and Mr. Patrick Kirwan, vocal solos, with Miss Dorothy Stokes and Miss Eileen Buckley accompanists.

THE SALE OF SKERRIES.

It appears that the offer of £29,000 for the town of Skerries, made at a recent meeting of the residents, has not been accepted, and a meeting is to be held this evening to consider the position. The meeting will be held in the local Carnegie Library at 8 o'clock.

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ST. PAUL'S, DUBLIN.

DEDICATION OF NEW HOLY TABLE.

The Archbishop of Dublin yesterday dedicated a new Holy Table in St. Paul's Church, North King street, Dublin. The table, which is of Japanese oak, was subscribed for by the parishioners, and was designed by Mr. J. Milligan. It is beautifully carved and harmonises with the pulpit and prayer desk.

The large congregation at the Service included a company of Boy Scouts and one of Girl Guides.

The Archbishop preached on the subject of the Lord's Supper. He expressed the very great pleasure with which he came to dedicate the beautiful Holy Table to the service of Almighty God. He said that that church had been there for something more than 200 years, and now had a Holy Table, something more worthy of it, and of its beautiful silver vessels, which had been used for Holy Communion for 200 years by those who went before them.

WHAT IS ORIGINALITY?

In view of the importance which the French authorities attach to the character of exhibits at the International Exhibition of Modern Decorative and Industrial Art to be held in Paris next year, the General Purposes Committee of the Grand Council, recently formed under the presidency of H.R.H. Prince Arthur of Connaught, in connection with British participation, have very carefully considered what interpretation should be placed upon the terms "novelty" and "originality."

It is laid down in the French authorities' regulations that the exhibition is confined to articles of "modern inspiration and real originality." These words do not mean that exhibits will only be admissible if they are entirely novel in design. Originality, it is clear, may be displayed as much in the development of existing art forms as in the invention of the entirely new.

RECENT WILLS.

Miss Josephine Webb, late of 122A St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, formerly of Brighton square, Rathgar, who died on November 3rd, left estate value £6,210 8s. 3d., all of which, by her will, she has bequeathed to her seven nephews and nieces.

The Rev. James White, of the Rectory, Tullamore, who died on the 21st July, left estate value £1,418.

The Express Dairy Company, which has opened a new branch in London at 18 Charing Cross road, W.C., claims to be London's largest dairy farmers. Their College Farm at Finchy is an example of modern developments in the production and supply of clean milk.

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SYRIAN SPRINGS A SURPRISE.

GRAND NATIONAL HORSES.

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Sunday Night.

The English newspapers seem remarkably interested at the moment in the future of the Irish jockey, E. M. Quirke, and I have seen it stated in the course of the last few days that (1) he will ride for Captain Cecil Boyd-Rochfort next season; (2) that he will ride in France, and (3) that Mr. Parkinson has painted such a glowing picture of the allurements of racing in Belgium that he has decided to turn his eyes to that country. I would not mention these matters except for the fact that up to yesterday Quirke had not made any definite plans to ride anywhere next season. He had a ride over hurdles yesterday at Lingfield, which I will come to later.

The fact was mentioned here yesterday morning that Lord Derby had bought Ireland's Hope from Mr. Frank Rogers. I understand that when Lord Derby asked Mr. Whitaker to buy him a 'chaser, he explained that he wanted one who could run in the next Grand National. Ireland's Hope, however, is still a baby in experience, and it is to be doubted whether we shall see him carrying the black and white cap at Aintree next March, but engagements are being made for him in the Tantivy, the New Century at Hurst Park, and a few other 'chases of a similar kind.

I notice in the betting lists of the men who speculate in doubles that they have Rathory at a comparatively short price for the Grand National. This horse, who is now in G. Poole's charge, has done well since he came to be trained in England.

THE VICTORY STEEPLECHASE.

The weights were published last Thursday in the Racing Calendar for the Victory Steeplechase at Manchester on New Year's Day. This race is a post-war institution, but it has achieved immense popularity, and there are few more popular events now in the 'chasing season, for it always attracts a particularly good batch of horses, and Ireland is generally well represented there. This year the handicapper does not seem to have been unnecessarily severe on Holdcroft, to whom he has given 13st. 11lb. Admitted that Holdcroft is a brilliant two mile 'chaser, he is certainly not given a chance in this race. For one thing, he could not this season give 9lb. to his stable companion, Clashing Arms. He has, too, to give three stone and a pound to Ballinvalley. This latter has, so far, done nothing in England, but he was accounted a pretty good horse when he was winning races in Ireland last back-end, before he was sold to one of Mr. Whitaker's patrons. To ask Holdcroft to give him 43lb. is surely expecting something of the Wroughton horse.

I imagine that if Dudley is fancied on the day and goes for this race he will start favourite. He may, however, try first for the Christmas Cup at Wolverhampton. He was going well when he fell two furlongs from home at Nottingham last week, and it must be admitted that he is well handicapped in the Manchester race. In the Cheltenham Grand Annual Steeplechase Dudley slammed Soothing Glass at level weights, beating him easily by five lengths, and Soothing Glass was much fancied that day. In the Victory Steeplechase Dudley has to give the Co. Down horse only a pound, and on the handicap the latter would seem to have only a moderate chance of repeating his great victory of last year.

Fariray is high in the handicap for a comparative novice at the game, and it is doubtful whether Ballymacrory has speed enough to win a race like this, good jumper though he may be. I do not know anything of what shape Ballinvalley is in just now, or whether he is likely to run, but leaving out this horse and Dudley, it looks as if Michael Dawson may have the key of the situation. The Rathbride trainer ran Ganzey at Nottingham, and the horse, in beating a good field, gave him an excellent line of the English form. By winning at Nottingham, Mr. Sullivan's horse has gone up some seven to ten pounds in the handicap—that is assuming that the Nottingham and the Manchester handicappers are of the same mind. Dudley had to give Ganzey 11lbs. at Nottingham, while at Manchester Ganzey has to give a pound to Lord Londesborough's horse. Southend was giving 16lbs to Ganzey when second at Nottingham, but at Manchester he has only to give 9lbs. Assuming, for the sake of argument, that Barry Ogue is anything like as good as Ganzey, Mr. O'Driscoll's horse would seem very nicely handicapped in the race under discussion, with only 10st. 6lb to carry.

SYRIAN'S EASY WIN.

It was bitterly cold and raw at Lingfield yesterday afternoon, but the racing was generally good enough to make up for the shortcomings of the weather. Most people went to the meeting under the impression that the Ashdown Juvenile Hurdle was a two-horse race, and that it would resolve itself into a duel between Scotch Pearl and Fortissimo, so they bet accordingly, with Scotch Pearl always slightly the better favourite. Harry Escott, however, came to the meeting hugging the knowledge to himself that no three-year-old hurdler in training could give 15lbs to Syrian, whom he trains for Mr. Lionel Dugdale. He was right, and the others wrong, for Syrian won very easily indeed by two lengths. Scotch Pearl beating Fortissimo, who was a little unlucky in the run in, by a short head for second place. It was one of the most cleverly managed coups that has been brought off for some time, for the secret of Syrian's trials had been so well kept that the stable commission was able to begin backing him at 100 to 7 to small money, and at 10's to good money. At the start it was difficult to obtain the 9 to 2, at which price he is returned.

Fortissimo immediately went to the front of the big field, but after they had gone half a mile Scotch Pearl, who was ridden by Major Doyle, F. B. Rees being claimed for Bright Land, went to the front, and remained there until after they had turned into the straight, when he was joined again by Fortissimo. From that point it looked like developing into a great race between the pair. In the meantime, anyone with half an eye could see that Tony Escott was sitting like a statue on Syrian, who was going on the bit all the time. He always had him lying about third, and, joining the two favourites at the last hurdle, he gave Syrian his head, and the horse shot to the front to win with a good deal in hand. The winner is smart indeed, and he would probably be backed to beat Scotch Pearl and Fortissimo at level weights. Bright Land, who was only fancied a little, ran well all the time, and finished fourth. High Court was another who also ran well, and this good-looking son of Prince Philip will be winning before long.

AN IMPROVEMENT CONFIRMED.

The public seemed to know that Hugh O'Neill had improved a good deal since last year, and he was steadily backed from 6's to half the price in the Year's End Handicap Steeplechase. The Ring began by asking the public to lay 9 to 4 on Ardouno, but at the finish they were content with asking for 6 to 4. The latter made a most gallant effort under his 12st. 2lb., but the task of giving 30lb. to Hugh O'Neill was far beyond him, and he was well beaten by Mr. Gore's charge, whom Moroney rode. Chicago performed moderately, keeping Lovely Bird company in the rear all the way, and this is surely a good deal below his right form.

From being at 6 to 4 against, Alcazar, although carrying 12st. 7lb., came to 11 to 8 on in the Southern Steeplechase, the chief event of the day over the bigger obstacles. He made all the running and won easily by three lengths from Ammonal, with Le Cellier, not yet come to his best, six lengths away third and old White Surrey fourth. Alcazar has won a lot of races on this course, but he always corkscrews his fences at Lingfield, and yesterday the habit seemed more pronounced than usual. Gem seems to have lost her form altogether, and Silver Somme hit several of her fences.

Alopex was a very false favourite for the Winter Hurdle, and was never nearer than fourth, where he finished. Dr. Barney, who was backed, ran particularly badly, and the race was easily won by Lindholm. His owner used to train and ride this horse himself, but since he has been in the care of a professional trainer, Butchers, he has made a good deal of improvement. Though Hong Kong was unlucky in running, he could never have beaten the winner.

Quirke had his first mount over hurdles in England on Gilbert Bennett's More Pride in the Selling Hurdle, and claimed the 5lb. allowance. He was offered the compliment of his mount being made favourite, but he was beaten a short head by Deerslayer. Quirke was blamed for having ridden a bad race, but, as a matter of fact, the horse, who is a bad one, died in his hands in the last furlong, and no one could have done more with him. The winner, Deerslayer, who was ridden by an unknown amateur in Mr. Champneys, came with a rush from the last hurdle. Bennett, the trainer of More Pride, thought the winner must have had a bit in hand, for he bought him afterwards for 250 guineas.

The racing to-morrow is at Derby, and it is likely that ROYAL CHANCELLOR will win the Derbyshire Handicap Steeplechase. I thought FRUSCINO was a bit backward in condition when beaten into third place at Nottingham, and as that race may have brought him on a bit he may give that excellent Co. Mayo jockey, C. Donnelly, a winning ride in the Long Distance Hurdle. Should Fortissimo miss the Three-Year-Old Hurdle it might be won by GYROSCOPE.

GALTEE MORE.

LINGFIELD RESULTS.

1.0—SURREY SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of £150. 2 m.

Lt.-Col. Wayland's B. h. DEERSLAYER, by Bridge of Earn—Salina, 5, 12-1 ..... Mr. Champneys 1
Mr. A. Goldwater's MORE PRIDE, 4, 11-11 ..... E. Quirke 2
Mr. R. Leach's SUN CHAP, 5, 11-7 ..... W. Bartlett 3

Also ran—Bachelor's Model (W. Balding), Seacraft (A. Smith), Wittol (A. Smyth), L'Estang (Mr. Pulford), Oregon (W. Hill), Treble Scotch (G. Barker), Bacherton Square (W. Burley), Parapluie (L. Hale), Atholhampton (Fitton), Quarte (H. Gordon), Colymbus (D. Regan). Off 1.2. (Winner trained by Blacker.)

Betting—7 to 4 agst. More Pride, 3 to 1 Atholhampton, 6 to 1 Treble Scotch, 8 to 1 Colymbus, 10 to 1 Wittol, 100 to 7 each DEERSLAYER, Sun Chap, and others.

Won by a short head; four lengths.

The winner was sold for 250 gns.

1.30—ST. PIERS SELLING HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £152. 2 m.

Mr. C. D. Harris's br. g. MARK MAN, by Irishman—Kilmany Maid, 5, 12-4 ..... L. Butchers 1
Mr. B. Fitch's IRISH CHEER, 11, 11-6 ..... L. Rees 2
Mr. J. Wood's SIR EYRE, 10, 11-11 ..... T. Costelloe 3

Also ran—Karel (L. Creagh), The Antelope II. (Parvin). Off 1.31. (Winner trained by Butchers.)

Betting—3 to 4 agst. Irish Cheer, 4 to 4 MARK MAN, 8 to 1 The Antelope II., 10 to 1 Sir Eyre, 20 to 1 Karel.

Won by six lengths; a bad third.

The winner was sold for 230 gns.

2.0—ASHDOWN JUVENILE HURDLE RACE (3-7-6-). £200. 1½m.

Mr. J. Dugdale's b. g. SYRIAN, by Aleppo—Pictoria, 10-2 ..... Scott 1
Mr. Howcson's SCOTCH PEARL, 11-2 ..... R. Doyle 2
Mr. E. Bate's FORTISSIMO, 11-2 ..... Wootton 3

Also ran—Bright Land (F. Rees), Irish Cheddar (Dick), Blue Ruin (W. Burley), Indiscretion (R. Piggott), High Court (G. Dullett), Sternlight (C. Donnelly), Japapear (W. Smyth), Camble (J. L'Estrange), Clarobia (Mr. Ringood). Off 2.1. (Winner trained by Escott.)

Betting—11 to 4 agst. Scotch Pearl, 2 to 1 Fortissimo, 9 to 2 SYRIAN, 10 to 1 Bright Land, 100 to 6 High Court and Indiscretion, 100 to 6 others.

Won by two lengths; a short head.

2.30—SOUTHERN HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £500. 3 m.

Mr. W. M'Alpine's b. h. ALCAZAR, by Verres—Good Gracious, 8, 12-7 ..... F. Rees 1
Mr. J. W. Wood's AMMONAL, 7, 10-12 ..... Costello 2
Mr. Blenkiron's LE CELLIER, 6, 12-0 ..... Escott 3

Also ran—White Surrey (Tighe), Vive (J. Anthony), Gem (C. Chapman), Silver Somme (L. Rees). Off 3.32. (Winner trained by G. Poole.)

Betting—13 to 8 on ALCAZAR, 11 to 4 agst. Le Cellier, 100 to 8 any other.

Won by three lengths; six lengths.

3.0—WINTER HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of £300. 2 m.

Mr. J. Mackey's b. f. LINDHOLM, by Dalmatian—Grenada, 4, 10-4 ..... L. Butchers 1
Mr. A. M. Jones's HONG-KONG, 6, 11-12 ..... Speck 2
Mr. Greenwood's TOMMY LONG, 5, 11-12 ..... P. Allden 3

Also ran—Red Or (P. Fleming), Mile End (A. Stubbs), Scapin (Maddrell), The Villager (A. Birch), Charles Surface (Mr. Tighe), Dr. Barney (E. Doyle), Tuscan (E. Ringstead), Leeds United (T. Leader), Alopex (L. Rees). Off 3.2. (Winner trained by Butchers.)

Betting—7 to 4 agst. Alopex, 5 to 1 Hong Kong, 6 to 1 Dr. Barney, 7 to 1 each LINDHOLM and Tommy Long, 8 to 1 Tuscan, 10 to 1 Charles Surface, 100 to 8 any other.

Won by three lengths; six lengths. Mile End fell.

3.30—YEAR'S END HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £200. 2 m.

Capt. Vivian's ch. g. HUGH O'NEILL, by Heen II.—Moss Flower, 7, 10-0 ..... Moroney 1
Maj. Norrie's ARDUOUN, 7, 12-2 ..... F. Rees 2
Mr. J. Wood's FLAYVEREN, 10, 10-4 ..... Holt 3

Also ran—Chicago (E. Doyle), Lovely Bird (O. Stanley). Off 3.31. (Winner trained by Gore.)

Betting—5 to 4 on Arduous, 3 to 1 agst HUGH O'NEILL, 6 to 1 Chicago, 100 to 8 any other.

Won by two lengths; six lengths.

BETTING FORECAST.

DERBY.

1.0 Race—5 to 4 agst. Heathencote, 11 to 4 St. George II., 7 to 2 Con Cregan, 5 to 1 Hagiology, 8 to 1 each Ragman and Pam Nut, 10 to 1 any other.

1.30 Race—9 to 4 agst. Envoy, 3 to 1 Red Rock, 9 to 2 Repaid, 6 to 1 Graystown, 7 to 1 Chicto, 8 to 1 each Newtown Wonder and Landman, 10 to 1 each Venetian Rose and Eliott, 100 to 8 any other.

2.0 Race—2 to 1 agst. Hilton, 3 to 1 Gyroscope, 9 to 2 Clinch, 5 to 1 Cloth of Gold, 7 to 1 Kid Cyder, 8 to 1 Organist, 10 to 1 Solar Eclipse, 100 to 8 any other.

2.30—11 to 4 agst. Rossieny, 7 to 2 Caltron, 9 to 2 Little Buffet, 5 to 1 Fetishers, 7 to 1 each Carantouhil and St. Madoc, 8 to 1 each Horse the Hunter and Malabar, 10 to 1 Windcote, 100 to 8 any other.

3.0 Race—7 to 4 Royal Chancellor, 3 to 1 Potheen, 7 to 2 Harrismith, 6 to 1 Hairpin II., 8 to 1 Some Dancer, 9 to 1 Singleote, 10 to 1 any other.

3.30 Race—2 to 1 agst. Hackdene, 3 to 1 March on, 7 to 2 Assaroe, 5 to 1 Murky Past, 7 to 1 Eagle's Tail, 8 to 1 Great Defeat, 10 to 1 Manister Field, 100 to 8 any other.

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DERBY.

1.0—Heathecote.
1.30—Repaid.
2.0—Hilton.
2.30—Rossieny.
3.0—Potheen.
3.30—Hackdene.
DOUBLE—Heathencote and Potheen (1.0).

A Student of Form.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Westminster Gazette:—To-day's best — Fruscino. Double—Fruscino and Royal Chancellor.

Daily News:—Double — Heathencote and Royal Chancellor.

Daily Express:—Double — Gyroscope and Little Buffet. Safety bet—Gyroscope.

Daily Mirror:—Double—Tuscan and Hackdene (nap).

Daily Graphic:—Double—Little Buffet and Potheen.

B. Carnicke G. Hulme, and V. Smyth will winter in South Africa. The trip being essentially a holiday, none of them will undertake any rides during their sojourn there.

DERBY.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME AND SELECTIONS.

Quite a fair programme is provided for the opening day at Derby. Entries, as usual, are good, and some interesting sport is promised. In the Derbyshire Handicap Steeplechase I have a liking for Black Abbot, who put up quite a good effort against Turkey Buzzard at Nottingham. The lightly-weighted Red Bee ran sufficiently well against Vesix and Harrismith to have a good chance. Progress made up a lot of ground to finish third at Sandown after a bad blunder, while I have little doubt Red Mac's form at that meeting was no where near his best. In taking Black Abbot and Progress I hope to have named the winner, and have a slight preference for the former. Cloth of Gold should be given another chance in the Three-Year-Old Hurdle, for Fortissimo is not likely to run. Selections:—

Derwent Steeplechase—Con Cregan.
Duffield Hurdle—Repaid.
Three-Year-Old Hurdle—Cloth of Gold.
Long Distance Hurdle—Smyth's selected.
Derbyshire Steeplechase—Black Abbot.
Elvaston Steeplechase—Murky Past.

1.0—DERWENT SELLING H'CAP STEEPLECHASE of 150 sovs. 2 m.

	Age st. lb.
HAGIOLOGY (Mr. A. Newey) ..... Newey	4 11 13
HEATHENCOTE (Mr. W. Parsley) ..... R. Payne	11 11 2
MAYFLY (Mr. J. Hogle) ..... Reader	7 10 4

(The above have arrived.)

GREENOGUE (Major D. Campbell) ..... Westmorland 10 12 7
ST. GEORGE II. (Mr. M. Shutt) Hyams 7 12 4
PRICKLY (Major D. M. Mathew) ..... Powell 13 11 9
PAM NUT (Major R. Fenwick-Palmer) ..... Harrison 6 10 6
RAGMAN (Major P. B. Sumner) ..... Woodland 9 10 12
CON CREGAN (Mr. H. A. Brown) ..... H. A. Brown 11 10 11
HOLIDAY MAKER (Mr. A. J. Long) ..... Private 11 10 0
EQUANCOURT (Mr. D. Harrison) ..... D. Harrison 6 10 6
CERTOSA (Mr. C. C. Parr) ..... Lyall 9 10 5
TURBIT (Mr. N. S. Gritt) ..... Gilbert 9 10 3
GRAMOPHONE (Mr. R. W. Merrell) ..... Merrell 5 10 0
SORREL HILL (Mr. C. I. Smithwright) ..... Hall 9 10 0
ARTISTRY (Mr. Jos. Patrick) ..... Bedford 10 10 0

1.30—DUFFIELD SELLING HURDLE RACE of 150 sovs. 2 m.

	Age st. lb.
REPAID (Mr. W. Needham) ..... Sarby	6 12 3
L. L. (Mrs. N. Roberts) ..... Roberts	3 10 10

(The above have arrived.)

RED ROCK (Mrs. Hartthropp) Hartthropp 6 11 3
LANDMAN (Mrs. D. McKenna) ..... Ireland 6 12 3
ENVOY (Mr. H. A. Brown) H. A. Brown 7 12 3
NEWTOWN WONDER (Mr. ..... McDougal 6 12 3
WARRIOR (Mr. W. Cary) ..... Cary 5 12 3
TROIKA (Mrs. C. Stevens) ..... Stevens 5 12 3
ELSON (Mr. Unwin) ..... Smallwood 7 12 3
BOLD CHAP (Miss F. Haywood) ..... F. Lyall 7 12 3
ANARCHIST (Mr. T. Cholmondeley) ..... Barthropp 7 12 3
ULIDIA (Mr. W. E. Jones) ..... Newey 6 12 3
AD ASTRA (Mr. F. G. Jopling) ..... Kenton 6 11 12
RUZZ ON (Mr. F. G. Kimberley) Bullock 8 11 12
HIS EXCELLENCY (Maj. W. V. Beatty) ..... Beatty 8 11 12
GRAYSTOWN (Mr. G. N. Bennett) ..... G. Bennett 4 11 12
CHICOT (Mr. T. Lambert) G. Bennett 4 11 12
SMOKE SCREEN (Mr. W. Payne) ..... W. Payne 5 11 12
BACHELOR'S MODEL (Mr. G. N. Bennett) ..... G. Bennett 4 11 7
VENETIAN ROSE (Mrs. T. Greenwood) ..... Allden 4 11 7
CANESHA (Mr. R. Jones) ..... R. Jones 4 11 7
POMBINO (Mr. G. R. Rae) ..... Private 4 11 7
RED BEAVER (Miss M. Hoad) ..... Private 3 11 0

2.0—THREE-YEAR-OLD HURDLE of 300 sovs. 1½ m.

	st. lb.
CLOTH OF GOLD (Mr. J Baylis) ..... T. Leader	10 7
SILVER ISLAND (Mr. David Gold) ..... F. Archer	10 7
RECALMED (Mr. R. C. Pearson) ..... Piggott	10 7

(The above have arrived.)

HILTON (Major Power) ..... Hatt 11 3
FORTISSIMO (Mr. E. Bates) ..... W. Payne 11 3
GYROSCOPE (Mr. J. Settle) ..... T. Dodd 11 3
RED CYDER (Mr. V. T. Thompson) ..... T. Hartigan 11 3
CORLACH (Mr. A. Barclay Walker) ..... Coulthwaite 11 0
THRONING (Lord Barnby) ..... Peacock 10 7
MARCEL WAVE (Mr. J. Hammond) ..... Gilbert 10 7
GULISTAN (Captain J. Harrison-Broadley) ..... Broadley 10 7
PICADORE (Mrs. H. M. Hollins) W. Payne 10 7
FRENCH (Mr. J. Holmes) ..... D. Harrison 10 7
ORGANIST (Mr. John Royle) ..... Reader 10 7
PASHA (Mr. Sol Joel) ..... Westmorland 10 7
POLIN (Mr. Sol Joel) ..... Westmorland 10 7
DIPLOMACY (Mrs. T. McDougal) McDougal 10 7
JOHN WYSE (Mr. E. T. O'Sullivan) ..... O'Sullivan 10 7
CARIFE (Mrs. R. C. Rose) ..... Private 10 7
POMME DE GUERRE (Mrs. J. C. Rose) ..... T. Leader 10 7
SOLAR ECLIPSE (Mr. D. I. Shuter) ..... Smyth 10 7
MOON MYSTLE (Mr. H. E. Steel) ..... Walls 10 7
CRAIGWATCH (Mr. Reid Walker) ..... Coulthwaite 10 7
CLINCH (Mr. S. Wootton) ..... Coulthwaite 10 7
WITNESS (Mr. S. Wootton) ..... Wootton 10 7

2.30—LONG DISTANCE HANDICAP HURDLE of 300 sovs. 2½ m.

	Age st. lb.
CALTROP (Duchess of Westminster) ..... McDougal	8 12 8
ST. MADOC (Col. W. B. Williams) ..... Hartthropp	8 11 6
TRUSTY (Mr. F. N. Aall) ..... Newey	4 10 12
WINDCOTE (Mr. G. Seed) ..... R. Payne	4 10 8
CARANTOUHIL (Sir John Grey) ..... Hartthropp	8 10 6
L.L. (Mrs. N. Roberts) ..... Roberts	3 10 0

(The above have arrived.)

HORSE THE HUNTER (Maj. H. A. Wernher) ..... Westbrook | 6 12 7
BALLERIA (Mr. H. Moilekin) ..... Vesey | 6 12 6
CLARKIA (Mr. H. Cope) ..... Shedden | 6 12 3
FRISHEEN (Mr. R. Stokes) ..... Smyth | 9 12 0
RED IRON (Mr. David Faber) ..... Mott | 5 11 11
SILVER HACKLE (Lady Westmorland) ..... Westmorland | 6 11 10
ROSSIENY (Mrs. H. M. Hollins) ..... W. Payne | 5 11 9
MUZ (Mr. H. T. Creighton) ..... Bullock | 6 11 6
KHOOSH (Miss Lois Sturt) ..... Whitaker | 5 11 6
GILDED SPURS (Mr. S. Moore) ..... Davey | 7 11 6
TOWER HILL (Mr. G. F. Waller) ..... Smyth | 6 11 5
TUSCAN (Miss A. A. Tyler) ..... Larkin | 6 11 5
BRUNO (Mr. W. Whitbread) S. Bennett | 10 11 4
MANSER'S PRIDE (Mrs. Nancie Collis) ..... Woodland | 6 11 1
RED BEE (Maj. H. A. Wernher) ..... Westbrook | 6 11 0
LADY CHARITY (Mr. M. Dollar) ..... W. Payne | 7 11 0
PATSY (Mr. W. Whitbread) S. Bennett | 5 11 0
SAILOR SON (Ld. Barnby) Smallwood | 6 10 13
BATHLUCK (Ld. Londesborough) Private | 6 10 12
MARU (Mr. J. Holmes) ..... D. Harrison | 4 10 10
MALABAR (Miss E. Hislip) ..... Mitchell | 4 10 10
FRUSCINO (Mr. W. Paul) ..... Sunday | 8 10 7
YOUNG HEROINE (Mr. J. Pendarves) ..... Pendarves | 4 10 6
LITTLE BUFFET (Mr. R. Renton) ..... Renton | 5 10 5
FURY (Mr. C. H. S. Dixon) ..... Private | 4 10 1
CHARLWAISH (Mr. ..... Law | 4 10 0

3.0—DERBYSHIRE HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE (C 500 sovs. 3 m.

	Age st. lb.
HAIRPIN II. (Mr. G. Sanday) Sanday	10 12 7
RED REESMITH (Col. B. Dixon) ..... Dixon	12 8
ROYAL CHANCELLOR (Ld. Westmorland) ..... Westmorland	9 11 13
REDBERE (Mr. D. Faber) ..... Mott	8 11 9
PROGRESS (Mr. D'Arcy Walker) ..... Kingsford	8 11 9
DENIKIN (Mrs. H. M. Hollins) W. Payne	6 11 6
RUDDYGLOW (Mr. W. Sankey) H. Brown	6 11 5
POTHEEN (Lord Londesborough) ..... Coulthwaite	9 11 4
BLACK ABBOT (Mr. Campbell) ..... Westmorland	6 11 0
SINGLEOTE (Mr. W. S. Smith) J. Lyall	8 10 12
RED BEE (Maj. H. A. Wernher) Woodland	8 10 8
SOME DANCER (Mr. G. Beaumont) ..... Gore	6 10 5

3.30—ELVASTON STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. 2 m.

	Age st. lb.
ASSAROE (Mr. Stanley Howard) ..... Newey	8 11 11
MANISTER FIELD (Mr. E. Hardinge) ..... Hardinge	6 11 3
HACKDENE (Mr. E. A. V. Stanley) ..... W. Payne	4 10 10

(The above have arrived.)

GROUND SCOUT (Mr. H. A. Brown) ..... H. A. Brown | 6 12 11
DUBLISH (Major T. F. Cavenagh) Private | 7 11 11
EAGLE'S TAIL (Mr. J. Harding) ..... Harding | 5 11 8
SOBA (Col. G. Paynter) ..... Chadwick | 7 11 3
WOLSEY (Major F. R. Samson) Woodland | 7 11 3
PAUL (Mr. J. Stokes) ..... Stokes | 7 11 3
GREAT DEFEAT (Sir Keith-Fraser) ..... Private | 5 11 3
LITTLE HOLLOA (Lady Grey) ..... Private | 4 11 3
WILD FOX (Mr. R. Stewart) ..... Stewart | 4 11 0
MARCH ON (Mr. G. Barclay) ..... Bewley | 4 10 9
DOLFECHEN (Mr. R. Bromley) R. Doyle | 4 10 9
LEASINGHAM ROSS (Mr. F. S. Grover) ..... Mosley | 4 10 9
WHITE SPLASH (Mr. F. W. Farnell) ..... Hastings | 4 10 9
BRIQUETTE (Mr. Frank Strang) ..... T. Wilson | 4 10 9
CROSS HANDS (Lord Westmorland) ..... Westmorland | 4 10 9

THIS WEEK'S RACING FIXTURES.

Monday and Tuesday—Derby.
Wednesday and Thursday—Windsor.
Friday and Saturday—Hurst Park.

RUGBY.

IRELAND V. FRANCE.

IRISH TEAM SELECTED.

Subsequent to the playing of the interprovincial match between Leinster and Ulster at Lansdowne road on Saturday, the Irish Selection Committee met in the Irish Rugby Union offices, Westmoreland street, to select the team to play against France in Paris on New Year's Day. With one or two exceptions, the players picked are the ones generally anticipated. The drawing of the four forwards as W. P. Collopy and R. M. M'Clelland will, no doubt, cause surprise in some quarters, but both have been playing little this season, whereas R. Cunningham (North) and M. Bradley (Cork Constitution), who replace them, have been showing good form. Bradley played for Ireland two years ago, and was a member of the British team touring in South Africa last summer. D. Cunningham has also played for Ireland before, and the only new cap selected is M. Sugden, of Dublin University, who comes on as second half vice J. C. M'Dowell. Previous to this season Sugden played as out-half and centre three-quarter, but was experimented with in the new position this season with much success. He is a very useful player, with an aptitude for giving the "dummy" which few players can improve upon. He is possibly not as sound in defence as J. C. M'Dowell or J. Clarke, the two scrum half-backs who have represented Ireland in recent years, but in attack we should consider him better than either. The following are the players selected:—

FULL-BACK.
W. E. Crawford (Malone and Lansdowne).
THREE-QUARTERS.
H. W. Stephenson (United Services).
G. V. Stephenson (Queen's).
J. R. Gardiner (N.I.F.C.).
T. Hewitt (Queen's University).
HALVES.
J. S. Hewitt (Instonians) (out).
*M. Sugden (Dublin University) (scrum).
FORWARDS.
M. Bradley (Dolphin).
R. Collopy (Bective).
W. E. Collis (Harlequins and Wanderers).
E. Y. Crichton (Dublin University).
J. D. Clinch (Dublin University).
D. Cunningham (N.I.F.C.).
C. F. Hallaran (United Services and Wanderers).
J. McVicker (Collegians).

*Signifies new cap.

W. E. Crawford has been selected as captain of the team.

LEINSTER'S FINE WIN.

ULSTER'S FIRST DEFEAT SINCE 1909.

LEINSTER	11 Points
ULSTER	3 Points

After a long sequence of defeats, Leinster gained a well-merited victory over Ulster at Lansdowne road on Saturday. Not since the season 1908-9 had Ulster been defeated, so that the win was much appreciated by the large crowd, though in fairness to Ulster it must be conceded that the side suffered considerably through the absence of some of their best players. W. E. Crawford, H. W. Stevenson, W. H. Hall, and T. R. M'Clelland had to cry off the Ulster team, and their absence had a far more serious effect on the side's chances than had the loss of W. E. Collis, R. Y. Crichton, and W. P. Collopy to the Leinster team. R. M. M'Kee, who came on as out-half instead of W. H. Hall, happened to strike an off day, and the whole Ulster back division was thrown out of gear, and for once was well held by the Leinster back division. M'Kee was changed after the first three-quarter position in the second half, and Gardiner brought into the outside half position, but the change made little difference, for in both periods of the game the Leinster side had the better of the play. Without being an attractive game for the spectators, due to the exceptional keenness displayed on both sides, it was a fine struggle between two very even packs of forwards, and while Leinster were able to pull in the matter of gaining possession in the scrimmages, Leinster's success was in a great measure due to the good work of their forwards in the loose.

One of the successes of the match was E. Davy, the National University out-half, to whose fine tackling in the first half was due the ineffectiveness of the Ulster backs. He repeatedly upset Ulster back movements before they had time to develop, and later in the game showed himself equally as effective as an attacking force. The whole Leinster back division gave a good account of themselves, and took the chances given them in much better style than did the Ulstermen, with the result that three scores were registered against one by the North men, and with ordinary luck another six or nine points might have been added to the Leinster score through penalty kicks. Sugden, as scrum half, also enhanced his reputation; while Cussen, Millin, and Atkins in the three-quarter line did much good work both in attack and defence. Gamble, while defending well and making some good runs, was uncertain in his handling, but Kennedy hardly made a mistake as full back. Halloran, Collopy, and Clinch were the best forwards, and in the loose Stuart and Gray were very prominent.

For Ulster Stewart proved a sound substitute for Crawford, though naturally not as brilliant as the latter. The half of the three-quarters were Galloway and Gardiner, Stephenson not being as prominent as usual, and McDowell, while working hard all the time, was not as effective as usual. The pick of the forwards were McVicker, Cunningham, Smith, and Campbell.

THE PLAY.

Early in the game Ulster were penalised at their 25, and Atkins made a good effort to land a goal, but his kick was short, and Millin replying well to Gardiner's clearance, play was carried on inside the Ulster 25. Leinster backs had many opportunities, but their passing movements were slow and seldom gained ground. Through Atkins not trying on the ball to stop a rush, the Ulster forwards broke away, and were doing good play well into Leinster territory when offside spoiled the move. Then Hewitt slipped away, and after a good run, threw a pass to Gardiner, which Cussen intercepted, and relieved matters for Leinster. Play continued of a very even character, with Ulster invariably getting possession in the scrimmages, and when Leinster did work down to the opponents' territory, Sugden playing the game, kicked Hewitt to change the venue with a fine kick to touch. Leinster forwards, however, worked back in the loose, and Davy, cutting through, made an opening; but, after Millin had handled, Stephenson took charge, threw with the hall, and saved what looked like a certain score. Atkins being unmarked on Ganly's left at the time. Ulster were again penalised, but Atkins failed with the kick at goal. Gardiner was allowed to play away safely by the Leinster backs, and Ulster looked like scoring, when Smith knocked on a pass from McVicker. Past play followed, in which Clinch and Atkins were prominent in the Leinster 25, when Ulster were penalised for offside. In the Ulster 25, and Kennedy was little wide of the mark with an attempt at a penalty goal. Leinster forwards put in good work after this, and a single-handed effort by Mallaran brought play close to Ulster's goal, where Sugden picked up, sent out to Millin, and the latter sent on to Cussen, who crossed the Ulster line near touch. R. Collopy, though making a fine attempt to convert, was a trifle wide of the mark. Just in this period Leinster were overrunning the Ulster team, whose backs were singularly ineffective. Davy opened out for Millin, whose pass went loose, but the ball being picked up by the latter, Atkins raced up to score, and Kennedy goaled from an easy position. In the subsequent play Ulster were again penalised, and Kennedy narrowly missed goaling. An Ulster movement from the kick-off would have brought to a abrupt conclusion by Davy, who nailed Hewitt from behind. Then Leinster started another but attack, Sugden slipping away from a scrimmage, and getting support from Clinch and Hallaran, the movement being held up just outside the Ulster line. At the interval Leinster still held a lead of 8 points to nil.

The Ulster side was changed in the second half, M'Kee, who had not been a success at out-half, going on to the wing vice Gardiner, who came in to partner M'Dowell. A faulty kick by Davy and a missed by Ganly nearly let Leinster down early in the second half, but matters were looking serious, Hewitt secured a drop at goal and the ball went dead. When play was near the centre, Galloway threw out of touch to Carroll, who after being passed back to the wing man, who, kicking ahead, gained possession again and scored near the touch line. G. V. Stephenson's kick at goal was just wide of the mark. The Leinster lot, with Gray and Stuart in the van, forced play inside the Ulster 25, but an intercept by Hewitt stopped the movement, and then when Gardiner broke away in the other direction he was overtaken and pulled down by Campbell. Play for a time was dangerous for many minutes, Stephenson and Galloway broke away, but the latter's cross kick was touched down. The Leinster lot, with Gray and Stuart in the van, forced play inside the Ulster 25, but an intercept by Hewitt stopped the movement, and then when Gardiner broke away in the other direction he was overtaken and pulled down by Campbell. Play for a time was dangerous for many minutes, Stephenson and Galloway broke away, but the latter's cross kick was touched down. The Leinster lot, with Gray and Clinch were the best forwards, and in the loose Stuart and Gray were very prominent.

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PROSPECTUS.

A Copy of this Prospectus has been filed with the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

The special permission of the Committee of the Stock Exchange for dealing in the Stock after allotment will be applied for.

The Subscription List will OPEN on THIS DAY (Monday), the 15th December, 1924, and Close on or before Thursday, the 18th December, 1924.

Sir W. G. Armstrong, Whitworth and Company, Limited.

(INCORPORATED UNDER THE COMPANIES ACTS, 1862 to 1890).

SHARE CAPITAL—

		Authorised.	Issued.
5,512,500	ORDINARY SHARES OF £1 EACH	£5,512,500	£5,512,500
200,000	FOUR PER CENT. CUMULATIVE PREFERENCE SHARES OF £5 EACH	£1,000,000	£1,000,000
2,000,000	FIVE PER CENT. NON-CUMULATIVE SECOND PREFERENCE SHARES OF £1 EACH	£2,000,000	£1,000,000
2,500,000	SIX & ONE HALF PER CENT. NON-CUMULATIVE THIRD PREFERENCE SHARES OF £1 EACH ...	£2,500,000	£2,500,000
		£11,012,500	£10,012,500

DEBENTURE STOCK—

	Issued and Outstanding.
FOUR PER CENT. MORTGAGE DEBENTURE STOCK	£2,500,000
SIX & ONE HALF PER CENT. SECOND MORTGAGE DEBENTURE STOCK (With power to the Company to issue up to £1,000,000 further Second Mortgage Debenture Stock). £2,000,000 of the above Second Mortgage Debenture Stock issued is held by Trustees as collateral security for an issue of £2,000,000 Five & One Half Per Cent. Three year notes.	£3,757,000

ISSUE OF

£3,000,000 CONSOLIDATED MORTGAGE DEBENTURE STOCK

At £99 10s. % Carrying Interest at 6½ % per annum.

Under the terms of the Trust Deed the Stock is to be repaid at par on the 16th eDcember, 1939, but the Company may redeem the whole or any part of the Stock of this issue by drawings at £102 per cent. at any time after 16th December, 1926, on giving three months previous notice to the Holders or by purchase in the market at any time at any price less than £102 per cent.

The Trust Deed securing the Debenture Stock will constitute a specific Mortgage in favour of Baring Brothers & Co., Limited (as Trustees) on the Freehold Land and Works of the Company in England specified in the Schedule, and a floating charge on all other assets of the Company present and future, subject only to the Mortgages and Charges created by the prior Trust Deeds securing the existing 4 per cent. Mortgage Debenture Stock and 6½ per cent. Second Mortgage Debenture Stock above mentioned.

Interest will be payable half-yearly on 16th March and 16th September. A first payment at the rate of 18s. 4d. per £100 will be made on the 16th March, 1925, being interest on the instalments Stock to issue further Stock up to £2,000,000, and in addition such amount as might be necessary as from their respective due dates of payment.

The Company will have power under the Trust Deed securing the Consolidated Mortgage Debenture at any time to pay off the whole of the 4 per cent. Mortgage Debenture Stock and/or the Second Mortgage Debenture Stock of the Company. Such further Stock, if and when issued, will rank *pari passu* in point of security with the Stock of the present issue.

The Stock will be transferable in multiples of £1.

THE GOVERNOR AND COMPANY OF THE BANK OF ENGLAND and Branches are authorised, as Bankers for the Company, to receive applications for the above £3,000,000 6½ per cent. Consolidated Mortgage Debenture Stock at £99 10s. per cent. payable as follows:—

		Per Cent.
On Application	£5	Per Cent.
On Tuesday, the 23rd December, 1924	£15	" "
On Friday, the 16th January, 1925	£40	" "
On Monday, the 16th February, 1925	£39 10s.	" "
	£99 10s. Per Cent.	

The issued Share Capital of the Company, as before stated, is £10,012,500, the whole of which ranks behind the present issue.

The Dividends on the Preference Shares and Ordinary Shares have been regularly paid, and the Dividends paid on the Ordinary Shares for the past ten years, after deduction of Income Tax, amounted to £3,936,563.

The Assets of the Company as shown by the Audited Balance Sheet at 31st December, 1923, are as follows:—

Freehold and Leasehold Land, Buildings, Machinery and Plant and Investments in and advances to subsidiary and allied undertakings at or under cost	£14,899,697	9	3
Work in progress, stock of goods, stores, materials, etc., less instalments received	3,172,021	15	3
Debtors and debit balances	1,253,400	16	8
Trade and other Investments at or under cost	690,898	11	11
Cash and Bills	706,623	2	0
	£20,722,641	15	1
Deduct as at 31st December, 1923: Creditors and credit balances, including loans and provision for taxation and Employees' deposits	3,782,954	0	2
	£16,939,687	14	11
To which must be added: Proceeds of £2,000,000 3-year Notes issued in the current year, and the proceeds of the present issue of Consolidated Mortgage Debenture Stock exceeding	£4,800,000	0	0
	£21,739,687	14	11
Less: Four per Cent. Motrgage Debenture Stock and the Second Mortgage Deture Stock and Notes outstanding amounting to	6,257,000	0	0
	£15,482,687	14	11
Present issue of 6½ per cent. Consolidated Mortgage Debenture Stock amounts to	£3,000,000	0	0

The Profits of the Company for the three years 1921-1923, before deduction of Interest on Debenture Stocks were as follows:—

For the year ended December 31st, 1921	£666,060
Do do. 1922	£691,894
Do. do. 1923	£655,651
or an average profit per annum of	£671,202
Annual Interest on Prior Debenture Stocks and Notes	£319,135
	£352,067
Annual Interest on present issue	£195,000

The present issue is made for the purpose of funding floating indebtedness incurred in financing contracts for the provision of a Townsite, Warehouses, Ships and other Utilities, Works and Services in connection with the Newfoundland Power and Paper Company, Limited, which is expected shortly to be in profitable operation, and also for the purpose of financing other civil engineering contracts.

It is anticipated that the receipts from the Newfoundland contracts alone will be sufficient to cover the whole of the interest on and redemption of the present issue of Debenture Stock.

Arrangements have been made with Messrs. Mullens, Marshall, Steer, Lawford and Co., to underwrite this issue of Debenture Stock in consideration of a commission of 1½ per cent., plus an overriding commission of ½ per cent. The contract is dated the 12th day of December, 1924, and is made between the Company and Messrs. Mullens, Marshall, Steer, Lawford and Co.

A brokerage of ¼ per cent. will be paid to Bankers and Stockbrokers on allotments made in respect of applications bearing their stamp.

It is intended to apply for an official quotation of the Stock on the London Stock Exchange.

Applications, which must be accompanied by a deposit of 5 per cent. on the amount subscribed, must be made on the prescribed form, and forwarded to the Company's Bankers, the Bank of England, at the Loans Office, 5/6 Lombard street, London, E.C.3, to the Newcastle-upon-Tyne Branch of the Bank of England, or to any of the other Branches of the Bank of England.

Applications must be for sums of £100 or multiples thereof.

If any application be not accepted the application money will be returned in full, and when the amount allotted is less than that applied for the surplus will be credited in reduction of the amount payable on the 23rd December, 1924, and any excess will be returned to the Applicant.

Instalments may be paid in full after allotment, under discount at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum. In the case of full payments made before the 23rd December, 1924, discount will only be allowed from the latter date.

Default in the payment of any instalment by its proper date will render the deposit and any instalments previously paid liable to forfeiture and the allotment to cancellation. Interest at 8 per cent. per annum will be charged on over-due amounts.

Every Ordinary Share confers one vote at a meeting of the Company, but the Preference Shares do not confer any right to vote.

The Auditors of the Company are Messrs. Price, Waterhouse and Co., Chartered Accountants, London and Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

By two letters dated 17th March, 1924, and a letter dated 20th March, 1924, passing between the Company and Baring Brothers and Co., Limited, the latter purchased, at the price of £97 17s. 6d. per cent., the issue of £2,000,000 5½ per cent. three year notes secured by Trust Deed dated 3rd April, 1924, made between the same parties.

Copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Contract with Messrs. Mullens, Marshall, Steer, Lawford and Co. for underwriting this issue, the two letters of 17th March, 1924, the letter of 20th March, 1924, the Trust Deed of 3rd April, 1924, a Contract dated 9th June, 1923, between Newfoundland Power and Paper Company, Limited, the Company and the Government of Newfoundland, and a draft of the proposed Trust Deed to be entered into by the Company (subject to modification), may be seen at the Offices of Messrs. Roney and Co., Solicitors, Orient House, 42 New Broad street, E.C. 2, during business hours while the subscription list is open.

Prospectuses and Application Forms can be obtained at the Bank of England Loans Office, 5/6 Lombard street, E.C. 3, the Newcastle-upon-Tyne Branch of the Bank of England, and at all other Branches of the Bank of England; from Messrs. Mullens, Marshall, Steer, Lawford and Co., 13 George street, Mansion House, E.C. 4; Messrs. Linton, Clarke and Co., Pinner's Hall, Austin Friars, E.C. 2; Messrs. Wise, Speke and Co., 53 Grey street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne; or at the Company's Offices, Elswick, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and 8 Great George street, Westminster, S.W. 1.

Directors.

Sir GLYNN HAMILTON WEST, Chairman.

Sir JOHN HENRY BRUNEL NOBLE, Bart., Vice-Chairman.

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Trustees for 6½ per Cent. Consolidated Mortgage Debenture Stockholders.
BARING BROTHERS and CO., LIMITED.

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THE BANK OF ENGLAND, London and Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

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London, 13th December, 1924.

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SIR W. G. ARMSTRONG, WHITWORTH and COMPANY, Limited.

(INCORPORATED UNDER THE COMPANIES ACTS, 1862 to 1890).

ISSUE at £99 10s. % of £3,000,000 6½ % Consolidated Mortgage Debenture Stock.

TO SIR W. G. ARMSTRONG, WHITWORTH AND COMPANY, LIMITED,
c/o THE GOVERNOR AND COMPANY
OF THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

I/we hereby request you to allot to me/us (a) £r.................... say .... pounds of the above-mentioned Stock, in terms of the Prospectus of the 13th December, 1924; and I/we hereby engage to pay the instalments, as they shall become due, on any allotment that may be made in respect of this application, as provided by the said Prospectus.

The sum of £.................... being the amount of the required deposit (b) (at the rate of £5 for each £100 of Stock applied for) is enclosed forthwith.

Signature ....

Name of Applicant (in full) ....
(State Title, if any, or whether Mr., Mrs., or Miss.)

Communications to be addressed to
Name ....
Address ....
....
Occupation ....

PLEASE WRITE DISTINCTLY.

Date, December, 1924.

(a) Applications must be for sums of £100 or multiples thereof.
(b) Where several applications are made at the same time, one cheque only, for the total deposit is necessary. Cheques should be drawn in favour of "THE BANK OF ENGLAND or bearer," and crossed "a/c Armstrong, Whitworth & Company Issue."

FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES.

IRISH STOCK EXCHANGES.

The following is a full report of the business done on the Dublin and Belfast Stock Exchange last week in each department, except Consols and War Loans. The day on which the business was done is indicated by the initial letter in parentheses, and dealings in odd lots are marked by an asterisk:—

DUBLIN.

National Loan—92 11/16 (M.), 92 11/16 (T.), 92¾ (W.), 93 (Th.), 92¾ (F.).
Do. Deed—92 11/16 (M.).
Compensation Stock—90 (M.), 90 (T.), 90b (W.), 90 (Th.), 90 (F.).
Guaranteed Land—86 (T.).
2¾ p.c. Land Act Stock—59¼ (M.), 59¼ (W.), 59 (F.).
3 p.c. Land Act Stock—65¼ ¼ (T.), 65¼ (W.), 64¾ (F.).
Dublin Stock—57½b (F.).
Sligo Harbour Bonds—47d (F.).
Bank of Ireland—273c (M.), 273c (W.), 272c (F.).
Hibernian Bank—7¾ (M.), 7¾ (T.), 7¾ (W.).
Munster and Leinster Bank—6⅞ (M.), *6½ (T.), 6⅞ (W.), 6⅞ ⅞ (F.).
National Bank—20½ (M.), 20½ (T.), *20½ (W.), 20⅜ (F.).
Provincial Bank—21½b (F.).
Royal Bank—13⅞ *⅛ (T.), 13⅞ ⅞ (Th.).
Westminster Bank (£1)—51/6 (M.).
Co. Down 5 p.c. Guar.—85¼ (W.).
Do. 4 p.c. Pref.—60 (M.).
Dublin S.E. Ord.—*19 (M.), 18½ (W.).
Do. Pref.—*47 (M.), 50 (T.), 51 *50½ (W.), 50½ (Th.), 50½ (F.).
Do. B Deb.—64 (M.).
Great Northern Ord.—55 (M.), 54½ (T.), 55 (F.).
Do. Pref.—*57½ (T.), 57½ (W.).
Do. Guar.—*61 (W.).
Great Southern Ord.—38½ ¾ ⅞ (T.), 39 ½ ¼ ¼ (W.), 39½ ¼ (Th.), 39 (F.).
Do. Pref.—*50½ (M.), *51 (W.), 51 (F.).
Do. Guar.—*56½ (M.), 56½ (T.), *56½ (W.), 56½ (Th.), *56½ (F.).
Do. Deb.—69½ (M.), 69½ (T.), *69 8¾ (W.), 68½ (Th.), 69 (F.).

Alliance Gas—6 11/16 (M.), 6 11/16 (T.), 6¾ (W.), 6¾ (Th.).
Alliance Gas Deb.—56 (F.).
Arnott Ord.—86/- (T.).
Arnott Pref.—*70/- (M.).
Bass Ratcliff Ord.—*46/- (T.).
Buchanan-Dewar Ord—58/6 (W.), 67/3 (Th.).
British and Irish Steam Pref.—13/4¼ (T.).
Barry, Ostlere Ord.—58/9 (W.).
Bleachers—65/9b 66/-a (M.), 64/6 9d. (T.), 54/4½ 6d. (W.), 63/7½ 6d. (Th.), 64/- (F.).
Bradford Dyers—85/7½ (M.), 85/3 (W.), 84/3 (F.)
British-American Tobacco—110/9 (M.).
Brunner Mond—39/- (T.), 39/3 (Th.).
Burke Ord.—83/- (W.).
Burke Deb.—83/4 (T.).
British South Africa (Chartered)—*15/9 (T.), 15/9 10½d., 16/- (Th.), 16/9 (F.).
British-American Tobacco (Bearer)—111/9 (M.).
Castlebellingham Brewery Pref.—*5¼ (F.).
Clontarf and Howth Tram—80/-b, 82/6a. (F.)
Crewe Wilson Ord.—14/6 (F.).
Coats—63/7½ (M.), 63/9 (T.), 63/6 *3d. (W.), 63/3 (Th.), 63/6 (F.).
Courtaulds—64/6 9d. 5/- 3d. 4½d. (M.), 65/- *3d. 1½d. 3d. (T.), 65/3 1½d. 3d. (W.), 65/- 4/10½ (Th.), 65/3 4½d. (F.).
Courtaulds Pref.—18/9 (M.), 18/9 7½d. (T.), 18/9 (Th.), 18/7½ (F.).
Distillers Ord.—46/6 (M.).
Dublin Distillers Ord.—28/6 (M.), 28/6 (F.).
Dublin Distillers Pref.—78/- (M.), 78/- (T.), 78/9 (W.), 79/- (Th.), *79/- (F.).
Dunvilles—12 1/16 ⅛ (T.).
Dublin Trams—6⅞ (M.), 6½b, 6⅞a (F.).
Dublin Trams Pref.—9¼ (M.), 9¼, (T.), 9¼ (Th.)
Dockrell Pref.—14/- (T.)
Dolphin Hotel—40/-b 50/-a (F.).
Dolphin Hotel Pref.—63/-b 70/-a (F.).
Dublin Artisans' Dwellings—6b 6½a (F.).
Dunlops—10/1½ *10/- (M.), 10/- (T.), 10/1½ 10/- (W.), *10/- (Th.), 9/10½ (F.).
Fine Spinners—55/9 (M.).
Guinness—49⅞ (M.), 49⅞ (T.), 49⅞ (W.), 49⅞ (Th.), 49⅞ (F.).
Guinness Pref.—*11¼ (M.), *11¼c (Th.).
Goulding Ord.—58/3 (M.), 58/3 (W.), 58/9 (F.).
Goulding Deb.—70/- (M.).
Holy's Pref.—18/- (M.), 18/- (W.).
Hibernian Fire—4/9 (Th.).
Imperial Tobacco Canada—28/6 (M.), 28/3 (Th.), 28/3 8/- (F.).
Imperial Tobacco—85/3 9d. (M.), 85/- 5/6 (T.), 85/6 (W.), 85/7½ (Th.), 84/10½ (F.).
Imperial Tobacco "A" Pref.—22/4½ (Th.).
Imperial Tobacco "B" Pref.—23/3 (Th.).
Irish-American Oil Pref.—19/- (M.), 19/- (T.), *19/- (Th.).
"Irish Times" 5½ p.c.—*67/6 (M.), *67/6 (F.).
"Irish Times" 6½ p.c.—*17/9 (M.), 18/- (T.), 18/- (F.).
Jameson Deb.—7½ (M.).
Johnston Mooney Pref.—68/9 (T.).
Kinta Kellas Rubber—3/4 (Th.).
Lever 7 p.c. Pref.—21/7½ (M.), 21/10½ (T.), 21/9 (W.), 21/9 (Th.).
Lever 8 p.c. Pref.—21/9 (M.), 21/10½ (T.), 21/9 (Th.).
Lever 20 p.c. Pf. Ord.—11/4½ (W.).
Lobitos Oil—9⅜ (W.).
Marconi—32/9 (M.), *32/6 (T.), 31/9 6d. (Th.), 31/9 (F.).
Mooney (J. G.) Ord.—5⅛ (M.).
Mexican Eagle Ord.—18/1½ (M.), 18/1½ (T.).
Marconi Canada—*5/6 (F.).
Power Pref.—18/6 (W.).
Parent Tyre Ord.—22/10½ (M.)
Parent Tyre Pref.—44/6 3d. (M.), 44/6 (T.), *44/- (W.), *44/3 6d. (Th.), 44/6 4/- (F.).
Pim Ord.—*30/- (T.).
Radio Corp. Common—9⅛ (M.), 9½ (T.), 9⅛ (W.)
Radio Corp. Pref.—9¾ (M.), 9¾ (T.), 10 (W.).
Sewing Cotton—60/3 (M.), 60/6 (Th.).
Sewing Cotton Pref.—19/3 (M.).
Shells—*87/9 (M.), 86/3 (T.).
Todd Burns Ord.—11/- (F.).
Vickers—12/1½ (Th.), 12/- (F.).
Vickers 5 p.c. Pref.—17/3 (Th.).
Vickers Tax Free Pref.—17/4½ (M.), 17/3 (W.).
Walker (Peter) and Robert Cain—20/9 (M.).
Williams (H.)—57/- (F.).
c—Cash. b—Bid. a—Asked.

BELFAST.

Belfast Corporation 3½ p.c., 1928—90¼ (T.).
Belfast Water Commissioners 3½ p.c., 1938—77½ (M.).
Belfast Harbour Commissioners 3½ p.c., 1953—72½ (T.).
Hibernian Bank—7¾a (F.).
Midland Bank—8 11/16 (M.), 7¾ (W.), 8 11/16 (Th.).
Northern Bank A—5¼ 5 5/16 (M.), 5¼ 5⅛ (T.), 5¼ (W.), 5¼ (Th.), 5¼ (F.).
Do. B—2 11/16 (M.).
Provincial Bank—21¾ (W.).
Westminster Bank—18 (M.), 18 (Th.).
Do., fully-paid—51/6 (Th.).
Belfast and Co. Down Ord.—59⅞ (M.).
Great Southern Deb.—68½ (F.).
Great Northern Stock—54½ (T.), 54 (W.).
Do. 4 p.c. Deb.—70 (W.).
Do. 4 p.c. Pref.—57 (W.).
Belfast Ropework Co.—96 (T.).
Coats Ord.—63/6 (M.), 63/3 (Th.).
Cuthchert and Co.—31/- (Th.).
Cowan, Ltd., Ord.—4½ (M.).
Dominion Tar—36/6 (T.).
Dunlop Rubber—10/1½ (M.), 10/- (W.), 10/- (Th.), 10/- (F.).
Dunlop Rubber "C" Pref.—21/6 (T.), 20/3 (Th.), 20/1½ (F.).
Dunville and Co.—12½b (F.).
Fine Spinners—55/9 (Th.).
Henry and Co.—30/4½ (T.), 30/6 (F.).
Howard and Bullough Ord.—43/9 (F.).
Imperial Tobacco Co.—85/4½ 85/3 (T.), 85/9 (W.), 85/4½ 85/6 (Th.).
Laven Vale Estate—18/- (M.).
Lever Bros 7 p.c. Pref.—21/9 (Th.).
Sawers—22/3 (M.).
Shell Transport—4 11/16 (M.), 4½ (F.).
Union Cold Storage Co.—21/3 (M.).
Vulcanite—10/- (Th.).
Wall Paper Manufacturers Def.—22/9 (T.).
White, Tomkins, and Courage Ord.—25/9 (T.)
Do. 5 p.c. Pref.—16/10½ (T.).
York street Flax Spinning Co. Ord.—27½ (M.), 28 (W.), 28
a—Asked. b—Bid.

PRICES OF RECENT ISSUES.

Anglo-Spanish Construction (Pes. 500), 2 11/16-1⅝; do. 6 p.c. Debs. (£45 pd.), 7½-8½ dis. Auckland (City of) (fy. pd.), 100¼. Australia 4½ p.c., 1940-60 (32½ pd.), ⅛-1/16 dis. Ayrshire Electricity 4½ p.c. (£46 pd.), ¼ dis.-¼ pm. Belseri-Chardwar Tea Ord. (10/- pd.), 4/6-5/6 pm.; do. Pref.(10/- pd.), 3d.-9d. pm. Bradford Corporation 4½ pc., 1940-50 (£19 pd.), ⅛-⅜ pm. Brisbane Tramways Trust 5½ p.c., 1944-54 (fy. pd.), 100¾-101. Buenos Ayres Western Rly. 5 p.c. Notes (£70 pd.), 1⅛-2½ pm. Bukit Tupah Rubber (12/6 pd.), 3/-4/- pm. Consett Iron 6 p.c. Debts., 101½-2½. Crittal Mfg. 8 p.c. Pref. (fy. pd.), 22/9-23/3. Galicia Nitrate 7 p.c. Deb., 99½-100½. German 7 p.c. (£60 pd.), 7½-⅞ pm. Gillette Razor, 61-2. Hide and Co. Ord (1/-), 2/3-2/6; do. (6/- paid), 9d.-1/3 pm.; International Sleeping Car 6 p.c. Bonds (£40 pd.), 1 dis.-par. Johnson and Phillips New (2/- pd.), 5/3-5/9. Leicester Corporation 4½ p.c. (£23½ pd.), ⅛-⅝ pm. Lewis 5 p.c. Debs (£35 pd.), par-¼ pm. Liquid Air, 22/-23/-. Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board 5 p.c. (£63 pd.), 1/16 dis.-1/16 pm. Mid-European Corporation (£8 pd.), 7¼-⅜. National Cotton Printing Works 8 p.c. 1st Debs. (fy. pd.), 100-1. Neuchatel Asphalte 6 p.c. Debs. (£20 pd.), 3¼-4¼ pm. Newcastle 4½ p.c. (£20 pd.), ⅛-¼ dis. Perfetti Nitrate 7½ p.c. Debs., 95-6. Queensland 5 p.c., 1940-60 (£57½ pd.), 4½-⅝ pm. Rhodesia and General Asbestos, 25/6-26/6. Sears (J. T.) 12½ p.c. Pref., 37/9-38/9. Spillers Milling 5½ p.c. Notes (£48 pd.), 1⅛-⅜ pm. South Africa 5 p.c. (£69½ pd.), 1940-60, 2 5/16-7/16 pm. Southern Railway Pref. (£29½ pd.), 1⅛-⅜ pm. Staveley Trust (5/- pd.), par-6d. pm.; do. Defd., 1/10½-2/1½ pm. Sudan 4 p.c. (£21 pd.), 2 5/16-7/16 pm. Walker (Peter) 8 p.c. Pref., 20/-21/-.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET DULL.

FROM OUR COMMERCIAL CORRESPONDENT.
LIVERPOOL, Saturday.

On the whole, the market has been dull and uninteresting throughout the week, apart from a spasmodic flurry after the Bureau report of Monday and Friday's proceedings. The final crop estimate of 13,153,000 bales was below expectations, and induced a minor bullish demonstration. The market apparently had some difficulty in reconciling the crop and ginning figures.

The market outlook has changed little. Prices advanced on the Bureau report, but have since sagged on hedge-selling and continued bearish sentiment. What could arise to remove the apathy of operators it is difficult to say, especially considering the usual end-year slackness. Most adverse factors are known, however, and it is reasonable to consider the position technically stronger, which necessitates caution in following further declines, as, no doubt, the market would readily respond to unexpected favourable circumstances.

On the week futures are 15 to 24 points advance.

LONDON MONEY MARKET.

LARGE TURNOVER OF FUNDS.

Supplementary Treasury bills will again be placed on "tap" at the Bank of England to-day (Monday), the rate having been raised from 3¼ to 3⅜ p.c., owing to the higher average at which Friday's tender bills were sold. Whether the precedent of the past two weeks will be followed by withdrawing the "tap" bills again on Tuesday is a matter of indifference to the market, the public departments being practically the only buyers of supplementary Treasuries.

Bank Rate (Discount changed July 5, 1923), 4%

60 days (fine)	3½	3⅝%	Trade	4	4½%
3 months	3½	3⅝%	"	4¼	4⅞%
4 months	3½	3⅝%	"	4½	5%
6 months	3⅝	4%	"	—	—

Loans to brokers day-to-day 2½%
for a week 2¾%
Deposit allowance: Banks at call 2%
Discount houses, at call 2%
at notice 2¼%

Discounts were steady, with more sellers of bills than buyers. Fine three months' maturities were quoted 3⅝-3 11/16 p.c., and the new Treasuries were offered at 3⅝ p.c., without attracting many purchasers. For a Saturday there was a rather large turnover of cash, partly owing to the Christmas demands and partly in connection with the arrival of a heavy foreign mail. Short loans commanded 2¼ to 2⅞ p.c., and only towards the close was there anything offering on easier terms. Weekly fixtures were continued at 2⅞ p.c.

Bar silver fell 1/16d. on China selling to 32⅞d. per ounce for spot and 33d. for forward delivery. At these prices, however, India bought, and the close was steady.

Business in the foreign exchange market was quiet and movements small. Sterling on New York improved to 4.69¼ dollars, and French and Belgian francs were a little dearer. South American rates were weaker where changed. In the Eastern market rupees were maintained at 1s. 6 3/32d.-1s. 6 1/16d. The following are closing quotations:—

—	December 13.		December 12.		Normal Rate
Alexandria	97⅛		97⅛		97½
Amsterdam	11.62⅝	11.63	11.62⅝	11.63	12.10
B. Ayres	44⅛	44⅛	44⅛	44⅛	47.58
Barcelona	33.16	33.19	33.40	33.43	25.22
Berlin	19.69	19.72	19.70	19.75	20.40
Bombay	1/6⅛	1/6⅛	1/6⅛	1/6⅛	2/0
Brussels	94.75	94.85	95.35	95.45	25.22½
Calcutta	1/6⅛	1/6⅛	1/6⅛	1/6⅛	2/0
Christiania	30.98	31.03	31.00	31.05	18.15
Copenhagen	26.74	26.76	26.65	26.70	18.15
Czecho-Slov	155⅜	155⅜	155¼	155¼	—
Finland	186⅜	186⅜	186⅜	186⅜	25.22½
Greece	258	260	255	260	25.22½
Hong Kong	2/4⅜	2/4⅜	2/4⅜	2/4⅜	—
Hungary	340,000	350,000	340,000	350,000	—
Italy	108.75	108.85	108.90	109.00	25.22½
Lisbon	2⅛	2⅛	2⅛	2⅛	53⅛d.
Madrid	33.12	33.16	33.43	33.46	25.22½
Mexico	2/1½	sellers.	2/1½	sellers	24½d.
Montreal	4.71⅜	4.72	4.70⅜	4.70⅜	4.86
Montevideo	49½	50	49½	50½	51d.
New York	4.69	4.69½	4.69	4.69½	4.86
Paris	87.45	87.75	87.50	88.15	25.22
Poland	24.30	24.50	24.30	24.35	25.22½
Rio de Jan.	5⅛	5⅜	5⅞	5⅞	16d.
Roumania	9.25	9.35	9.15	9.25	—
Shanghai	3/3	3/3⅝	3/3⅝	3/3⅝	—
Singapore	2/4⅛		2/4⅛		2/4⅛
Stockholm	17.40	17.42	17.39	17.41	18.15
Switzerland	24.20	24.22	24.23	24.25	25.22
Valparaiso	41.60		41.20		13.33
Vienna	331,000	334,000	329,000	335,000	—
Yokohama	1/7⅛	1/7⅛	1/7⅛	1/7⅛	4.5

BIRMINGHAM MOTOR SHARE MARKET.

Friday's closing prices:—Austin Ord., 6/9; ditto B Pref., 10/9; ditto Prefd. 10 per cent., 6/3; ditto 4th Deb., 88½; Birmingham Small Arms, 13/3; Bluemel Bros., 38/-; Bowden Brake, 6/9; Bretts Stamping, 22/-; Brooks (J. B.), 41/5; Calcott Bros., 29/10½; Components, 3/6; Coventry Chain, 31/6; Crossley Motors, 5/6; Dennis Bros., 38/9 xd.; Enfield Cycle, 26/6; Fodens, 18/-; Guy Motors, 5/9; Halford Cycle, 87/6; Halley's Motor, 6/-; Harper Bean, 2d.; Hughes Johnson, 21/6; Humber, 29/6; ditto Pref., 17/3; James Cycle, 15/9; Leyland Motor, 4/11½; Lucas (Jos.), 55/-; Maudslay, 24/6; Napier Ord., 24/3; ditto Pref., 19/3; New Hudson, 15/6; Riley (Coventry), 9/6; Rolls Royce, 30/1½; Rovers, 11/-; Rudge-Whitworth, 9/-; ditto Pref., 68/-; S.T.D. Motors, 5/-; ditto Pref., 11/-; ditto 8 per cent. Notes, 96½; Serck Radiators, 11/9; Singer and Co., 34/-; Smith (S.) and Sons Def. Ord., 1/-; Smith's Stamping, 23/9; Standard Motor, 45/6; Star Engineering, 4/-; Stevens (A. J.), 28/-; Straker Squire, 3d.; Swift, 9/6; ditto Pref., 13/6; Triumph, 28/1½; Vandervill (C. A.) and Co. Prefd., 2/10½; Vauxhall Motor, 5/9; Vulcan Motor, 3/-; Wolseley Motor Pref., 3/9; ditto Deb., 70½; Dunlop Rubber, 10/-; ditto A Pref., 21/6; ditto B Pref., 21/3; Leyland Rubber, 26/9; Parent Tyre Ord., 23/-; ditto Pref., 15/3; ditto Deferred, 44/-; Stepney Tyres, 9/-; Tyre Investment, 4/3.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

ASSAM RAILWAYS AND TRADING.—Dividend on A Stock at rate of 8 p.c. per annum, on Pref. A Shares at rate of 8 p.c. per annum for half year, and on New 6 p.c. Pref. Shares at rate of 6 p.c. per annum.

BERTRAMS.—Dividend of 10 per cent. for year, less tax, leaving balance to be carried forward £2,015.

BRAHMAPOOTRA TEA.—Interim dividend of 15 p.c. A distribution of 1/5 11/16 per share will also be made in respect of Dominion tax relief.

BUDLA BETA TEA.—Interim dividend of 25 p.c., free of tax.

BUXA DOOARS TEA.—Interim dividend of 20 p.c., free of tax.

REZENDE MINES.—Interim dividend of 15 per cent., less tax.

CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO RAILWAY.—Dividend of 2 dollars per share on Common Stock for quarter.

CONSOLIDATED LONDON PROPERTIES.—Dividend of 1/- per share, less tax.

COLOMBIAN PROPRIETARY GOLD MINES.—Accounts show that, inclusive of the sum of £6,777, depreciation in plant, machinery, buildings, etc., there was a loss of £17,097.

EBBW VALE STEEL, IRON AND COAL.—The directors have decided to pay no interim dividend on the Preference Shares.

HALLAMSHIRE COAL SUPPLIES.—Final dividend of 1d. per share, less tax.

ITALO-BELGIAN BANK.—Dividend of Frs. 40 per share.

INVESTORS MORTGAGE SECURITY CO.—Final dividend at rate of 14 per cent. per annum, less tax, making 13 per cent. for year; £20,000 transferred to reserve fund and £20,161 carried forward.

JOREHAUT TEA.—Interim dividend of 20 per cent. (actual).

LOUISVILLE AND NASHVILLE RAILROAD.—Dividend of 5 p.c. on Common Stock.

MACKAY COMPANIES.—Dividend of 1¼ p.c. on Common Stock for quarter.

NEW INVESTMENT.—Interim dividend at rate of 5 p.c. per annum, less tax, on Ord. for half year.

NATAL NAVIGATION COLLIERIES.—Dividend of 7½ per cent. for half-year to December 31.

REEVES AND SONS.—Interim dividend of 6d. per share, less tax, on Ord.

SAMUEL ALLSOPP.—Net profit for year to September 30, 1924, was £95,442, making available £114,767. The directors propose placing £20,000 to reserve (making that fund £240,000), paying dividend on Ordinary Shares, making 5½ per cent. for year, further dividend on Participating Preference shares, making 7½ p.c., carrying forward £19,324. Profit for previous year was £90,141. Ordinary Shares receive 4½ per cent., and the reserve £20,000.

SELF-SEALING RUBBER.—Accounts for year to September 30, 1924, show loss of £1,844, increasing debt balance to £3,330.

SHERWOOD STARR GOLD MINING.—Interim dividend of 25 per cent.

SOUTH AFRICAN TOWNSHIPS MINING AND FINANCE CORPORATION.—Dividend of 10 per cent., less tax.

SOUTH AFRICAN COAL ESTATES.—Dividend of 2½ per cent., less tax.

SHAMVA MINES.—Interim dividend of 1/- per share, less tax.

SINGLO TEA CO.—It is proposed to capitalise £33,600 of the general reserve fund. This would allow of a bonus distribution of one new share for each five Ord. Shares held at that date.

TROPICAL PRODUCE MORE ACTIVE.

FROM OUR COMMERCIAL CORRESPONDENT.
LIVERPOOL, Saturday.

The Tropical Produce market has displayed more activity during the week, and in the principal sections the tone is decidedly better. Palm oil winds up the week much stronger than at one time seemed likely, America following up recent inquiries by active purchases. The Continent, on the other hand, has shown but little desire to trade, except as sellers. Oil on the spot has only been in moderate request, but arrivals up to March in all descriptions meet with steady absorption, with the result that the discount on January-March arrival has been reduced to round about 11s. 3d. per ton in Lagos and 8s. 9d. soft regulars and mediums. Oil for shipment on option bills of lading has suffered from the lack of demand for export, but even so a premium of 5s. per ton is demanded. The week's sales are estimated at 1,500 tons, with Lagos quoted £43 15s., Sherbro £43 10s., Benin and Niger £43 10s.

Copra has been more bullish this week, with F.M. Straits fully 25s. a ton higher than a week ago. This advance has been caused largely as the result of covering operations. October-December can still be bought at a discount of 3s. 9d. compared with November-January. Continental business has been more active, especially Marseilles, and F.M. Straits November-January shipment has purchasers at £29 15s.

In the ground nuts section the week winds up with an improved showing. Decorticated Nigerian have been active, with near arrivals commanding £27 10s., afloat 10s. per ton less, and January-February shipment £24 10s. Refined oils met with better inquiry, and a large business has been carried through. Ground nut oils command full prices owing to scarcity of material.

FINANCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

GREAT SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

An extraordinary meeting of the proprietors will be held at the Hall of the Institution of Civil Engineers, 35 Dawson street, Dublin, on Wednesday, 31st December, at two o'clock, for the purpose of electing from among the directors of the company holding office at the time such number as may be fixed by the scheme settled by the Railway Tribunal to serve as directors of the Amalgamated Company.

DUBLIN AND SOUTH-EASTERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

An extraordinary general meeting will be held at the company's offices, Westland row Station, Dublin, on Tuesday, 30th December, at noon, for the purpose of electing from amongst the directors of the Dublin and South-Eastern Railway Company two directors to serve as directors on the Board of the Great Southern Railways Company, and to provide, with the consent of the proprietors, for payment of compensation to the directors of the Dublin and South-Eastern Railway Company who suffer loss by abolition of office.

RUSSIAN BONDS.

For reasons that are not particularly obvious Russian bonds have come into some demand again, Paris being the principal buyer. Of course, current quotations represent nothing more than "option" money; that is to say, the sum risked is only equivalent to what is paid for an option on any in the general run of stocks with the important advantage of an indefinite run. It may be advisable to emphasise the necessity, in view of the large number of bonds in issue, of those holding the same to carefully check the series and numbers as well as the date of the last coupon before selling the same should they wish to take advantage of the reviving interest.

THE OUTLOOK.

Although selling by "stags" is bound to be heavy, a substantial premium on the Greek Loan is to be expected, and those who hold their bonds for investment are not likely to have much cause for regret (writes *The Sunday Times*). The surplus money returned to applicants will seek reinvestment, and, while a large proportion may be expected to go into new issues, there should be more available for speculation in the various markets. The improvement in the Buenos Ayres exchange means a great deal to the Argentine railway companies, whose stocks have been unduly neglected of late. B.A. Westerns have fallen more than the others, and look worth buying for recovery. The slight set-back in leading Industrials affords a good opportunity of acquiring an interest in first-class shares. A useful selection would be British-American Tobaccos, Bradford Dyers, Bleachers, African and Eastern, Sudan Plantations, and Wall Paper Deferred, all of which offer fair scope for improvement.

BEECHAM ESTATES AND PILLS.

At a meeting of the directors of Beecham Estates and Pills, Limited, held on the 11th December, it was resolved that an interim dividend at the rate of 1s. per share be paid upon the Ordinary shares, this dividend to be payable on the 1st January, 1925, being the date when the interest upon the Debenture Stock and the dividend upon the Preference shares are payable. The transfer books of the Six Per cent. First Mortgage Debenture Stock will be closed from the 18th to 31st December, 1924, both days inclusive, and those of the Eight Per cent. Cumulative Preference shares and Ordinary shares from the 16h to the 31st December, 1924, both days inclusive.

THE RISE IN CHARTEREDS.

Great activity is taking place in Chartered shares, the buying coming from quarters which should be well informed. Various theories exist, but the latest to come into circulation is that the British Government contemplates a deal with Portugal in relation to the acquisition of Portuguese East Africa. In view of Rhodesia's need of Beira and the big developments now taking place at that port—and Portugal's financial needs—the report may easily have foundation. Ignoring this aspect, however (writes the *Investor's Chronicle*) the Chartered Company has assets quite easily justifying more than the present price. It still has 4,000,000 acres of land in South Rhodesia, 2,500,000 acres in North-Eastern Rhodesia, and a half interest in the sales of land in North-Western Rhodesia. It has about 600,000 acres in Bechuanaland and 2,500,000 acres as well as 14,000 square miles of mineral rights in Nyasaland. Its commercial and railway assets are yielding increased revenue, as also are its mineral rights. It is now paying dividends, and one of 1s. tax free is anticipated early in the new year. Allowing for the mineral rights, the break-up value of the assets probably exceeds 25s. a share. The technical position of the market favours the continuation of the rise, and a higher level is not only justified but will probably be attained at an early date.

NEW NAME FOR ARTIFICIAL SILK.

The Silk Association of Great Britain and Ireland has decided by resolution that the word "Rayon" will in future be used to describe synthetic fibres known as artificial silk. "Rayon" is the name adopted in America and the National Retail Dry Goods Association.

The transfer books of the Great Northern Railway Company's 4 Per Cent Debenture and Guaranteed Stocks will be closed from Saturday, 27th December, to Wednesday, 14th January, both days inclusive.

LIVERPOOL MEAT IMPORTS.

Eight steamers landed cattle and fresh meat at Liverpool last week from overseas ports. The arrivals of mutton and lamb were larger, but of beef the imports were very small. The vessels, with their freights, were as follow:—The Montrose, from Montreal, with 4,000 carcases of lamb, 3,327 boxes, and 434 quarters of beef; the Cedric, from New York, with 850 carcases of pork and 3,893 boxes of meat; the Wangaratta, from Australia, with 5,080 quarters of beef; the Laconia, from New York, with 500 carcases of pork and 847 packages of meat; the Persic, from Australia, with 6,133 sheep and lamb carcases and 250 packages of meat; the Colonian, from Montreal, with 903 cattle and 947 boxes of meat; the Gallic, from Australia, with 22,636 sheep and lamb carcases; and the Coracero, from Boston, with 1,075 boxes of pork, 870 boxes of meat, 684 quarters of beef, making a total of 903 cattle, 37,849 sheep and lamb carcases, 2,425 carcases and boxes of pork, 10,515 boxes of meat, and 4,992 quarters of beef. Compared with the arrivals of the preceding week, these figures show an increase of 31,430 sheep and lamb carcases and 1,022 boxes of meat and a decrease of 252 cattle, 1,633 boxes and carcases of pork and 29,599 quarters of beef.

MISCELLANEOUS.

LEICESTER WOOL.—As has so often happened this year, the overseas trade has responded to the rising prices much more quickly than the home trade. The shipping market is quite satisfactory, but the home demands are seriously affected by the higher quotations for wool and yarns, and no bulk orders, or extremely few, are being placed at present. Christmas is responsible for a fair amount of contracts now being completed.

LIVERPOOL COTTON (Closing).—American limited request. Brazilian quotations raised 19 points. East Indian unchanged. Egyptian quiet. December 12.87d., January 12.91d., February 12.92d., March 12.98d., April 12.99d., May 13.06d. Sales 3,000. Imports, 509 bales. Market irregular.

LONDON HAY AND STRAW.—Fair supplies offered. Best meadow hay £5 5/- to £5 15/-, medium £4 5/-, fair £4 15/-, inferior £3 5/- to £3 15/-; best clover £5 15/- to £6 5/-, best mixtures sanfoin £5 10/- to £6. Best trussed wheat straw 85/- to 95/-, barley and oat ditto 85/- to 95/-, all per ton delivered.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORTS.

SATURDAY.

Wind and Weather—W.S.W. wind, light breeze; overcast and showery.

Coastwise Arrivals—S.s. Slieve Gallion, s.s. Slieve Donard, from Holyhead, with goods; s.s. Lady Limerick, from Liverpool, with goods; s.s. Olive, from Heysham, with goods; Bernard, New Design (schs.), from Bridgwater, with bricks, etc.; s.s. Cairngorm, from Troon, with coals; s.s. Sard, from Ayr, with coals; s.s. Mango, from Whitehaven, with coals; s.s. Olivine, from Newport, with coals; s.s. Glenageary, from Partington, with coals.

Foreign Departures—S.s. Atlantic Maru, of Kobe (4,254 tons register), Captain Sanada, for Cork, with part cargo (wheat); s.s. Orlock Head, of Belfast (840 tons register), Captain Kane, for Antwerp, via Belfast, with general cargo.

Coastwise Departures—S.s. South Stack, s.s. Slieve Gallion, for Holyhead, with goods; s.s. Olive, for Heysham, with goods; s.s. Lady Wimborne, for London, with goods; s.s. Lady Limerick, for Liverpool and Birkenhead, with live stock and goods; s.s. Clareisland, for Liverpool, with porter; s.s. Thelma, s.s. Alyn, for Ormeshead, light; s.s. Lady Thomas, for Cairnlough, light; s.s. St. Mungo, for Glasgow, light.

SUNDAY.

Wind and Weather—W. to W.N.W. wind, moderate breeze; fine and clear.

Coastwise Arrivals—S.s. Lady Longford, from Liverpool, with goods; s.s. Tiger, s.s. Maple, from Glasgow, with goods; s.s. Brier, from Heysham, with goods; s.s. Yarrow, from Silloth, with goods; s.s. Puffin, from Garston, with coals, s.s. Beechfield, from Partington, with coals, s.s. Ruby, s.s. Prase, from Ayr, with coals; s.s. Stamburn, from Whitehaven, with coals; s.s. Priscilla, s.s. Mona's Belle, from Preston, with coals; s.s. Aspen, from Newport, with coals; s.s. Dunleary, from Troon, with coals; s.s. British Scout, from Swansea, with Kerosene.

Coastwise Departures—S.s. Maple, for Glasgow, with goods; s.s. Olivine, for Newport, light; s.s. Sard, for Glasgow, light; s.s. Cairngorm, for Ayr, light; s.s. Mango, for Garston, light; s.s. Dinorwic for Liverpool, light.

PRODUCE AND FOOD.

CATTLE.

NORWICH.—A good show of fat cattle met a keen demand, best quality making up to 13/- and others 12/6 per stone. Store cattle were in short supply and met a dragging sale at £10 to £25. The supply of calves was fair, and, with demand moderate, £6 2/6 was realised. A few fat sheep made up to 1/6 per lb. Store sheep, which were in small supply, realised late rates. Only a few fat and store pigs were on offer in consequence of the restricted area to be drawn from, fat pork changing hands at 12/- per stone for best qualities. Fat hogs made up to £7 17/6, fat sows to £12 12/6, and strong stores to 46/-, while small stores met a slightly better trade. At market—Cattle 620, sheep 350, and 195 pigs.

DONCASTER.—Smaller supply of cattle, but plenty of milk beasts; trade slow. Milk beasts varied greatly in quality, best making £20 to £36; good three-year bullocks £20 to £24, heifers £17 to £19, stirks £12 to £14, and calves £10. Pigs easier, with small supply; suckers 10/- to 17/-, stores 20/- to 30/-.

GRAIN.

FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES.—BALTIC.—WHEAT cargoes firm, with sellers more reserved, and 3d to 6d quarter advance mostly asked, but buyers were reluctant to follow. The Tenpaison Maru, 6,400 tons No. 1 Northern Manitoba December sold 67/9. No. 2 hard winter January shipment held for 64/3. Australian choice white Karachi December 61/3. Australian January-February 64/9, Rosafe (64lbs.) January-February 63/6. Parcels in fair demand and 6d. quarter higher. No. 1 Northern Manitoba January-February sold 67/9 to 67/10½. No. 2 hard winter December 61/3, choice white Karachi January sellers 61/6, Rosafe (64lbs.) January 63/6 480lbs. MAIZE quietly steady. Plate steamer, 6,500 tons, January-February sold 48/- in bags to Spain, steamer afloat sellers 45/6 to 45/- as to size and position, December-January 45/3. Parcels firm. Plate December-January sold 44/4½, January-February 46/3 to 46/4½ 480lbs. BARLEY remained quiet on former terms. OATS steady, quiet. Plate f.a.q. afloat sellers 28/-, January-February 27/-. No. 2 Canadian Western January 33/-, Chilian January-February 27/- 320lbs.

LIVERPOOL.—WHEAT—The sharp rise in Winnipeg and Chicago, with smaller Bradstreet shipments for past week, caused forward deliveries of wheat here to improve to a liberal extent at the commencement of operations, and with scarcity of sellers and shorts covering, values further strengthened and marked a substantial gain at the finish. C.i.f. parcels dearer. Rosario-Santa Fe Dec. realising 62/6, Jan. 63/-; No. 1 Manitoba Dec.-Jan. held at 67/-, No. 2 hard winter Dec. 62/-, No. 1 Duluth Dec. 62/6. Australian Dec.-Jan. 64/6, and choice white Karachi Dec.-Jan. 61/6 per qr. C.i.f. parcels of MAIZE dearer, but inactive; River Plate Dec.-Jan. quoted 44/3 and Jan.-Feb. 46/3 per qr. Wheat on the spot firm and held for higher prices. Maize—Spot parcels River Plate 1d. per cental dearer at 9/2 to 9/2½ with a better demand reported. Russian steady at 10/6 to 10/8 and Bessarabian 10/9 per cental. FLOUR firm at yesterday's advance. Grade 1 wheat futures opened 1½d. to 1¾d. per cental dearer, receded slightly, but again moved upwards on a preponderance of buyers, the market closing firm at 1½d. to 1¾d. advance on the day. Sales, 100 loads, at 12/11¾ to 13/- for Dec., 13/0¼, 13/0¾, 13/0¾ to 13/0¼ for March, and 12/11¾ to 13/0¼ for May delivery. Values—Dec. 12/11¾, March 13/0¾, and May 13/0¼ per cental. Maize options advanced 1d. per cental, and closed firm thereat. Sales, 25 loads, at 9/3 for Jan. and 9/6¼ for Feb. delivery. Values—Jan. 9/3¼, Feb. 9/6¼, and March 9/9¼ per cental. Imports of grain (qrs.):—To-day—Wheat, 20,760; maize, 960; peas, 3,580; beans, 39. This week—Wheat, 223,916; flour, 6,341; maize, 88,622; peas, 3,694; beans, 1,134. This year—Wheat, 22,846,261; flour, 773,525; maize, 7,626,745; peas, 400,651; beans, 251,964. Last year—Wheat, 21,754,541; flour, 782,826; maize, 7,574,262; peas, 314,633; beans, 184,164.

PROVISIONS.

LIVERPOOL.—Irish and Danish BACON continues firm and in good demand at the recent advance. Canadian Wiltshires firm, with an upward inquiry, and now further advanced to 98/-102/- per cwt. The market for American bacon here is still quiet, but, with the strength in Irish and Danish, holders display more confidence and a steadier tone prevails, late prices being repeated for Wiltshires and Cumberlands, while long clears, backs and bellies remain nominal owing to scarcity. HAMS remain quiet at late rates for all descriptions, supplies being still in excess of requirements. Shoulders steady for squares, which are not over plentiful, while picnics continue nominal in the absence of offerings. LARD on the spot, following a sharp rise in c.i.f. quotations, is held for fully 1/- advance. Prime steam quoted 87/6 to 88/- and American refined 87/- to 89/- per cwt., with a moderate demand experienced. CHEESE still firm, with a fair demand, and the tendency of prices is in an upward direction. BUTTER remains firm and in moderate request at late prices, Danish being in small compass. EGGS quiet at 24/- to 26/- for Irish hen and 10/6 to 11/3 for Egyptian per 120. Imports of provisions:—To-day—Bacon, 475; hams, 222; lard, 25; cheese, 2,634. This week—Bacon, 6,641; hams, 1,972; lard, 16,197; cheese, 15,491; beef, 59; butter, 500. This year—Bacon, 299,933; hams, 179,198; lard, 530,670; pork, 6,061; cheese, 378,757; beef, 1,475; butter, 174,078. Last year—Bacon, 400,219; hams, 194,002; lard, 632,806; pork, 7,106; cheese, 455,074; beef, 2,601; butter, 156,978.

LIVERPOOL.—REFINED LARD "FUTURES."—The sharp rise in Chicago was reflected here at the outset, when 9d. to 1/- per cwt. advance was realised, but with freer offerings prices receded, and at the finish were only 3d. to 9d. over last night, near months being most affected. December realised 86/3, January 86/6 to 86/3, March 87/6 to 87/-, May 87/9 to 87/3 per cwt.

DUBLIN VEGETABLE.—A good inquiry for the fair quantities of seasonable vegetables on market at following rates:—York cabbage 42/- to 60/- per load; Savoy, 48/- to 54/- per load; cauliflower, 2/6 to 3/9 and 4/- per dozen. Swede turnips, 1/8 to 1/10 and 2/- per cwt.; celery, 1/6 to 3/- per bunch; parsnips, 2/- per bag.

DUBLIN POTATO.—No change of any kind to report in position of trade for potatoes nor in prices. The latter remain at 8/- to 8/6 per cwt.

CORK BUTTER.—The market has undergone no noteworthy change. Creameries 216/- per cwt., choicest mild 210/-, farmers' fresh parcels 163/-.

DUBLIN FISH.—Demand was poor for the moderate supply of fish on market—viz., one chest lobsters, 65 boxes herrings, and a fair consignment from country and local hookers and wind trawlers. Prices:—Large lobsters, 20/- to 25/-; seconds, 15/- to 17/6; smalls, 5/- to 10/- per lot of 13; large soles, 20/- to 30/-; mediums 15/- to 17/6, and slips, 10/- to 12/- per 3 pairs; turbot, 1/- to 5/- each; brill, 6d. to 1/6 each; codfish, 40/- per box, and ray, 10/- to 15/- per box. Herrings averaged 10/- to 15/- per box.

GRIMSBY FISH.—Light catches. Demand fair. Plaice 13/-, lemon soles 21/6, whitings 4/6, cod 6/- to 8/6, skate 6/- to 8/6, small skate 3/9, kit 6/9, gibbed 9/6, dabs 9/- to 10/6 per stone; soles 1/10, turbot and brill 1/1 per lb.

LONDON CENTRAL MEAT.—Beef quiet; Scotch sides, long 7/8 to 8/4, short 7/2 to 7/8; English ditto 5/6 to 6/2. Mutton quiet; Scotch tegs 10/- to 10/8, wethers 9/4 to 9/8; English tegs 9/4 to 9/8, wethers 8/- to 9/4, ewes 5/4 to 6/-; Imported frozen 4/8 to 6/10. Lamb quiet; Scotch hill 8/8 to 10/4.

PRODUCE.

LONDON.—SUGAR—There was a moderate clearance in spot parcels at late rates for both British and foreign makes. Messrs. Tate and Lyle's granulated 33/10½ to 34/4½, yellow crystals 31/4½, home-grown granulated 32/6 ex works Norfolk and 32/9 Nottingham; Czecho granulated ready for shipment 18/4½ f.o.b. Hamburg; Belgian granulated December 18/- f.o.b. Antwerp. Raw refining sugars quiet at late prices. Terminal market disclosed quiet features; December sold 17/4½, March 17/4½, May 17/6, August 17/7½ to 17/9 per cwt. COFFEE—Spot market closed very steady for all the finer qualities. COCOA—Spot quiet; Accra F/F grade, January-March sold 41/- per cwt. f.o.b. terms. TEA—Private contract market steady at recent rates with moderate inquiries. SPICE—Pepper met with quiet support at prices showing no material change; Muntok white L.S. January-March quoted 10 9-16d. and March-May sellers 10½d. Zanzibar cloves January-March 11½d. per lb. Tapioca steady, spot and forward; Singapore flake January-February to Havre quoted 21/9, Penang seed to London 20/-. Sago flour January-March to U.K. 18/4½ per cwt. c.i.f. and i. terms.

JUTE was a quiet but steady market; firsts November-December Continent buyers £38 2/6, December-January value £38 2/6, January-February sellers £38 5/-, February-March £38 5/- buyers; lightnings January-February quoted £36 10/- per ton. Market quiet and nominally unaltered for both Hessians and twills. HEMP—Manila dull, unaltered; J grade January-March quoted £54, K £53, L £52, and M £51 per ton. African sisal dull, unchanged; New Zealand hemp nominal. SHELLAC quietly steady; fair T.N. spot 320/- to 325/-, December 310/-, March 292/6, and December-January steamer buyers 290/- per cwt. COPRA firmer, though closing under best points; F.M.S. Straits November-January to Rotterdam sold £30 17/6 to £30 16/3, January-March £31 to £30 18/9; Dutch East Indies February-April sold £30 10/-, Ceylon December-January quoted £32 5/-, South Sea F.M.S. ditto £30. Palm kernels firm, January-March to Liverpool sellers £23 5/- per ton. RICE quiet, but generally steady; two stars spot 17/9, February-March 14/9, 100 tons ditto January-February to Liverpool sold 15/-; 1,000 tons No. 3 cleaned Rangoon January-February to the Levant double bags sold 14/9 per cwt. c.f. and i. Japanese peas January-February quoted 25/- per cwt. c.f. and i. terms.

RUBBER met a quiet demand, and plantation crepe and sheet spot, also December and January sold 1/6¼, January-March 1/6½, April-June 1/6. To New York—Standard estate sheet December-January sold 1/6½ per lb. c.f. and i. Wild steady, quiet. OILS—Linseed active and firmer; spot quoted 46/9, January-April 46/3, May-August 46/6. Rape, cotton and coconut, also turpentine, unaltered. OILSEEDS—Linseed firm though quiet; Calcutta December-January quoted £23, April-May £23 10/-, May-June £23 7/6; Plate November-December £21 12/6, January-February sold £21 17/6, and further buyers. Rapeseed—Market firm at previous prices. Cottonseed dearer; Egyptian black December-January sellers £13 7/6, white do. £12 16/3; Bombay January-February £10 12/6 per ton.

LIVERPOOL.—CANE SUGAR quiet, unchanged; values, Brazil and Peru afloat 16/6 per cwt. c.i.f. basis 96 deg. pol. The following are Messrs. Tate and Lyle's (Limited) quotations to-day:—Crystals—No. 1 36/-, small No. 1 36/6, No. 2 34/3, bright 34/1½; granulated, standard 34/-, H.T.S. 34/1½, coarse 34/4½, fine 34/4½, all ex refinery Liverpool, less 1½ per cent. discount; cubes ex refiner yin London, first quality 38/-, H.T.S. 37/9, afternoon tea 38/9, less 1½ per cent. discount. COCOA—Spot West African steady; new crop dearer, with business done for shipment at 41/- per cwt. f.o.b. and buyers D clause. COFFEE quiet; little offering on spot. RICE—Burmah quiet, unchanged; new crop January-February 15/3 quoted and February-March 15/- per cwt. c.i.f. for No. 2. HEMP—Manila dull, unchanged; values £54 J grade and £53 per ton K December-February and January-March shipments c.i.f. SAGO FLOUR—Sarawak moves off slowly on spot, with store parcels quoted 17/9 to 18/- per cwt. JAPANESE PEAS difficult of sale; spot parcels quoted 25/3 and forward shipments 25/- per cwt. c.i.f. RANGOON BEANS—White hand-picked steady at 14/- on spot, and also forward shipment, but buyers little interested; f.a.q. slow at 10/6 per cwt. c.i.f. for arrival. COPRA firm, £29 5/- per ton nominal value sund-dried West African sorts. RICE BRAN—Burmah old crop unchanged at £7 15/-, and new crop January-February quoted £7 2/6 per ton ex ship, with little of importance to record. LOCUST BEANS idle; Cyprus nominally £7 10/- ex store in bags and £6 10/- per ton c.i.f. forward shipment in bulk. OIL CAKES—Trading in imported descriptions remains quiet; American and Bombay linseed for shipment nominal at £12 12/6 to £12 15/- c.i.f.; value of Egyptian undecorticated cottonseed December shipment £8 10/- ex ship terms. Ground nut for arrival remain at £9 15/- 37 per cent. and £10 15/- 40 per cent. c.i.f. Liverpool palm kernel feeding materials steady at £8 15/- to £9 for cakes, £9 to £9 10/- crushed meals, and £9 per ton sweetened crushed meals e— mills. LINSEED—River Plate unaltered at £22 7/6 per ton December shipment. COTTONSEED slow; buyers Brazil f.a.q. at £8 10/- per ton for shipment, with sellers indifferent.

PALM KERNELS dearer; £23 3/9 to £23 6/3 paid November-January, £23 3/9 December-February, and £23 2/6 to £23 5/- per ton January-March shipment. PALM KERNAL OIL in request, and local makes held for £45 per ton forward deliveries of extracted naked ex mills. COCOA NUT OIL firm at £47 10/- per ton for forward Ceylon c.i.f. Liverpool, but little business passing. PALM OIL firm, and trading includes Lagos December shipment £44, and soft oils afloat £44 2/6 per ton. TALLOW—A firm tone rules, and business done in South American Paraguay beefs afloat at 49/3 per cwt. c.i.f. DYEWOODS—Logwood and fustic quietly steady at late rates on spot. GAMBIER—Block continues nominal on spot with none offering; for shipment c.i.f. terms 80/- repeated, and small offering of No. 2 cubes on spot held for 105/- per cwt. CUTCH continues nominal at 52/6 per cwt. for Burmah on spot, and little available. GUM—Niger Arabic has a quiet sale on spot; prices steady and unchanged. RUBBER—Para steady; hard fine spot 18¼d. per lb.

CASTOR OIL—English-made in limited request with £76 quoted for pharmaceutical, £71 firsts and £68 seconds ex mills Hull; for Madras for shipment possible sellers at £62 10/-, c.i.f. March-April and Belgian firsts £72 10/- per ton c.i.f. in barrels forward; Calcutta good seconds December-January quoted 8¼d. December-January and 8¼d. per lb. February-March shipment ex quay terms Liverpool in cases. SEED OILS—Local-made cottonseed very steady, and crushers have little to offer; prices still 51/- common edible and 53/- deodorised nett naked ex mills Liverpool. Linseed oil steady, 49/- raw and 51/6 per cwt. boiled on spot in barrels. ROSIN firm; American common 16/9 asked, F and G 17/3, N 18/3, WG 20/6, and WW 22/- per cwt. on spot. TURPENTINE steady; American on spot 61/3 to 62/3 per cwt. WOOD OIL—Spot Hankow in barrels quiet, steady at 85/- to 87/6, and forward parcels c.i.f. 83/- per cwt. PETROLEUM oils steady at 1/2 to 1/3 per gallon for American refined in barrels on spot. NITRATE OF SODA—Spot holders steady at £13 10/- to £13 15/- per ton, as in quality, in single bags, with a quiet demand experienced.

LIVERPOOL.—WHITE SUGAR TERMINAL MARKET.—The following are Saturday's "Official Call" prices of the United Sugar Terminal Market Association (Liverpool Branch)—Morning—December 17/7½ sellers, March (1925) 17/6 sellers, May (1925) 17/7½ sellers, August (1925), 17/9 sellers. Tone quiet.

CLYDE CRUSHED SUGAR.—296 tons melted; raw stock, 9,886 tons. Refineries still closed. Business in Continental refined dull and drooping, owing to increased Cuban crop estimates. Recent sales show decline of 18d. per cwt. Fine Dutch 19/9, ordinary 18/6; Czecho 18/6 to 18/9 for delivery. Distant sugars been without interest. Market quiet, unchanged; moderate business.

PROSPECTUS.

The List will be closed on or before Wednesday, 17th December, 1924.

PORT OF LONDON AUTHORITY.

ISSUE OF £3,000,000

PORT OF LONDON 4½ P.C. INSCRIBED STOCK, 1940-1960.

PRICE OF ISSUE £98 10s. PER CENT.

Interest payable 1st January and 1st July.
Six months' interest payable 1st July, 1925.

Principal repayable at par on 1st July, 1960, the Port of London Authority having the option of redemption, in whole or in part, at par, on or after 1st July, 1940, on giving six months' notice.

WESTMINSTER BANK LIMITED is authorised to receive subscriptions for the above-mentioned amount of Stock, created by the Port of London Authority in accordance with the provisions of the Port of London (Consolidation) Act, 1920, the Port of London (Finance) Act, 1925, and Ministry of Transport Regulations with reference to the Issue, Transfer, etc., of Port of London Stock.

The Stock now offered will rank as to security *pari passu* with the 3½ per cent., 4 per cent., and 6 per cent. Inscribed Stocks, and the "B" Port Stock, and after the £9,379,762 "A" Port Stock, and will be inscribed in the books of the Stock to be kept by WESTMINSTER BANK LIMITED, Lothbury, London, E.C 2, and will be transferable without charge and free of stamp duty at that Bank, either by the Stockholders personally or by their attorneys. Interest will be payable half-yearly at the same Bank on 1st January and 1st July by Dividend Warrants, which will be forwarded by post at the Stockholder's risk.

All Port Stocks and the Interest thereon are charged on the Port Fund and all the revenues of the Port Authority.

Applications will be received at WESTMINSTER BANK, LIMITED, LOTHBURY, London, E.C.2, and must be for even hundreds of Stock, and be accompanied by a deposit of £5 per cent. on the nominal amount applied for.

In case of partial allotment, the surplus of the amount paid as deposit will be returned to the applicant; default in the payment of the final instalment at its due date will render the deposit previously paid liable to forfeiture.

Payment will be required as follows, viz.:—
£5 per cent. on Application.
£93 10s. " " 22nd January, 1925.
£98 10s.

Payment in full may be made after allotment, and discount at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum will be allowed from 22nd December, 1924, or from any subsequent date.

Scrip Certificates will be issued in exchange for Allotment Letters, and such Certificates, when fully paid, must be lodged at WESTMINSTER BANK LIMITED, Lothbury, E.C. 2, for conversion into Inscribed Stock.

A Commission of 5s. per £100 Stock will be allowed to Bankers and Stockbrokers on allotments made in respect of applications bearing their stamp.

The Port of London Authority is required by Act of Parliament to create by way of annual provisions, Sinking or Redemption Funds for the ultimate repayment of each of the Stocks issued by the Authority.

The Authority's Reserve Fund stands at the maximum figure provided by Act of Parliament, namely £1,000,000.

The present issue is made chiefly for the purpose of paying off temporary loans to meet capital expenditure on the improvement and development of the facilities of the Port and the redemption of £1,000,000 Port of London 5½ per cent. Inscribed Stock.

Prospectuses can be obtained at WESTMINSTER BANK LIMITED, 41 Lothbury, London, E.C. 2; 21 Lombard street, London, E.C. 3; 4 Bartholomew Lane, London, E.C. 2, or at any of the Branches of the Bank; at the ULSTER BANK LIMITED, Belfast, and Branches of that Bank; of Messrs. R. NIVISON and CO., Bank Buildings, Princes street, London, E.C. 2, and Messrs. JAMES CAPEL and CO., Basildon House, Moorgate, London, E.C. 2.

Westminster Bank Limited,
Head Office,
41 Lothbury, London, E.C. 2,
12th December, 1924.

Application No.......... Allotment No..........

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR
PORT OF LONDON 4½ P.C. INSCRIBED STOCK, 1940-1960.
ISSUE OF £3,000,000.

To WESTMINSTER BANK LIMITED,
Head Office: 41 Lothbury, London, E.C. 2.
Gentlemen,
I/we hereby apply for £....................
say ....
of Port of London 4½ p.c. Inscribed Stock, 1940-1960, according to the Prospectus dated 12th December, 1924, and undertake to pay £98 10s. for every £100 of Stock, and to accept the same or any less amount that may be allotted to me/us, and to pay for the same in conformity with the terms of the said Prospectus.

I/we enclose the required deposit of £.......... being £5 per centum on the NOMINAL AMOUNT applied for.

Please write distinctly.

SIGNATURE ....
NAME (in full) ....
(Block Letters.) (State if Mr., Mrs., or Miss.)
ADDRESS (in full) ....
....
.........., December, 1924.

N.B.—Applications must be for even hundreds of Stock, and must be accompanied by the amount of Deposit thereon.
Cheques should be made payable to BEARER and should be crossed thus:—
Westminster Bank
a/c Port of London Loan

COMPANY NOTICES.

GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY (IRELAND).

Notice is hereby given that the Books, in which Transfers of the CONSOLIDATED 4 PER CENT. DEBENTURE AND GUARANTEED STOCKS are registered, will be closed from Saturday, the 27th day of December, 1924, to Wednesday, the 14th day of January, 1925, both days inclusive.

J. B. STEPHENS,
Secretary.

Amiens street Station,
DUBLIN, 15th December, 1924.

BEECHAM ESTATES AND PILLS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Registers and Transfer Books of the Six per cent. First Mortgage Debenture Stock will be CLOSED from the 18th to 31st DECEMBER, 1924, both days inclusive, and those of the Eight per cent. Cumulative Preference Shares and Ordinary Shares from the 16th to 31st DECEMBER, 1924, both days inclusive, for the preparation of Interest and Dividend Warrants.

By Order,
CHAS. P. HESELDEN,
Secretary.

Central avenue, Covent Garden Market,
London, W.C. 2,
11th December, 1924.

Satisfied Customers. Increased Sales.

"BLACK SWAN" BUTTER (Rolls-Cartons-Bulk).

DOWDALL, O'MAHONEY & CO., Ltd.,
UNION QUAY, CORK,
AND 5 COPE STREET, DUBLIN.

IMPORTANT

FURNITURE AUCTION

AT No. 8 LOWER ABBEY STREET,
(A FEW DOORS FROM O'CONNELL STREET).

ON WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, AND FRIDAY OF THIS WEEK.

MESSRS. AARONS and CO., LTD., HIGH-CLASS CABINETMAKERS, of LONDON, prior to closing their Dublin Showrooms, on expiration of Lease, have instructed

THE CENTRAL AUCTIONEERING CO.

TO DISPOSE OF THEIR COMPLETE STOCKS OF NEW AND SECONDHAND LONDON-MADE FURNITURE.

Comprising—Capital Mahogany, Oak and Walnut Sideboards, various designs and sizes, including reproduction Chippendale and Queen Anne styles (about 20); several splendid Bedroom Suites, in Chippendale, Sheraton and Jacobean designs; 25 Sheraton and other pattern China Cabinets, including 3 magnificent Secondhand Chippendale Cabinets, 3 Buhl Cabinets, in splendid condition; large collection of Bureaux and Bureau Bookcases, in Mahogany; 8 splendid Dining Suites, Chippendale and Queen Anne designs; 4 Chesterfield Suites and several 7-piece Drawingroom Suites, all in first-class condition; 24 Occasional Tables; a few Dining Tables; several Mahogany Cake Stands; a few Oval Mirrors; 1 large Gilt Pier Glass on marble stand, with turned supports; beautiful French Clock, with heavy mounted Bronze Figure; Carved Mahogany Framed Screen, with Japanese Lacquered, inset with Ivory and Mother of Pearl decorations; 15 Mahogany Bedsteads in new condition; odd Divan Chairs and Couches, and numerous other Oddments.

ON VIEW TO-DAY (MONDAY), and TO-MORROW.
SALE COMMENCES AT 12 O'CLOCK EACH DAY.

The Auctioneers beg to draw the attention of furniture traders in Ireland to this important Sale, and also that of the general public.

CENTRAL AUCTIONEERING CO.,
19-20 BACHELOR'S WALK.

SALE TO-MORROW (TUESDAY),
AT 2 P.M., AT 110 GRAFTON STREET.

27 PEMBROKE ROAD.

Unusually well-equipped SEMI-DETACHED DWELLINGHOUSE, on which a very large expenditure was recently made in providing permanent improvements rarely found in houses of the class. Tiled kitchen and passages; electric light to house and stable; pantry, with hot and cold water; good range, with copper boiler, copper cylinder and copper hot water pipes; modern grates; large garden at rear, with side entrance, and excellent stable or garage opening into lane at rear. Frontage 32 feet, depth 320 feet. Clear possession. Held from the Pembroke Estate for 64 years unexpired, subject to the adjusted rent of £11 13/6 per annum. Seen daily 12 to 5 o'clock.

Messrs. MARTLEY and BARLEE, Solicitors, Westland Row.

6 CULLENSWOOD TERRACE SANDFORD, ROAD.

Possession to Purchaser. Exceptionally well-built HOUSE, on electric tram line, with good garden front and rear, and large gate entrance at rear, opening into lane. Breakfast room, three bedrooms, bathroom, with fixed basin, w.c.; good kitchen with copper cylinder, pantries, and servants' rooms; electric light laid on. House in excellent repair. Modern grates throughout. Held for 483 years from 1861, subject to the adjusted rent of £4 16s. 0d.

WILLIAM KERR JOHNSTON, LL.B., Solicitor, 8 Leinster street.

JAMES H. NORTH & CO., AUCTIONEERS,
110 GRAFTON STREET.

ON VIEW TO-DAY, 10 A.M. TO 4 P.M.
SALE TO-MORROW, AT 12 NOON.

"RIVERSIDE," HERBERT ROAD, SANDYMOUNT.

WM. MONTGOMERY AND SON ARE INSTRUCTED TO SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION ON THE PREMISES, AS ABOVE, AN IMPORTANT RESIDUE OF USEFUL HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND APPOINTMENTS COMPRISING—MAHOGANY WALL BOOKCASE, GLAZED DOORS, 15' x 8'; OAK WELSH DRESSER; H.M.V. CABINET GRAMOPHONE, IN INLAID MAHOGANY CASE, AND COLLECTION OF RECORDS; Knee-hole Mahogany and Oak Writing Desks, Chesterfield Suite, Oil Paintings, SET 6 COLOURED ENGRAVINGS, "THE SEASONS," HAMILTON, AFTER BARTOLOZZI; PAIR STEEL ENGRAVINGS, INDIAN SCENES, ERLAM, AFTER ZOFFANY, WITH KEYS; THE MILITARY STEEPLECHASE, BY ALKEN; ACQUITINT VIEWS OF CALCUTTA; New Walnut Beds and V.I. Spring Mattresses; Wilton and Axminster Floor and Stair Carpets; fine Chinese and Japanese Bronzes, including the "Group of Dogs of Foo;" Toilet Mirror; 12 Royal Doulton Coronation Dinner Mugs, 1902; Diningroom Furniture, Kitchen Utensils, Crown Mangle, Meat Safes; Outdoor Effects; numerous Motor Tools; Bench, Lathes, Hen Houses, and Miscellaneous Effects, as already advertised by us. PURCHASERS TO PAY 5 PER CENT. FEES.

WM. MONTGOMERY & SON, M.I.A.A.,
GAINSBORO' HOUSE, 24 SUFFOLK STREET, DUBLIN.

SALE THIS DAY AND TO-MORROW (TUESDAY).
JAMES HILL & SON, M.I.A.A., 9, 10 BACHELOR'S WALK.
HIGH-CLASS AUCTION OF

SUPERIOR MODERN FURNITURE, CARPETS, AND EFFECTS,

Comprising:—DRAWINGROOM, DININGROOM, BEDROOM, and HALL FURNITURE, in VARIETY; ROOM, STAIR and LANDING CARPETS, HEARTH RUGS, LINOLEUMS; OVERMANTELS; and a LARGE COLLECTION of CLEAN KITCHEN FURNITURE, DRESSERS, MANGLES, PRESSES, TABLES, CHAIRS, CHINA, GLASS, PLATED WARE, &c., &c.

Sale commences 1 p.m. Purchasers pay 5 per cent. fees.

JAMES HILL & SON, M.I.A.A., AUCTIONEERS AND VALUERS, 9 & 10 Bachelor's Walk

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SPRINGMOUNT, BALLYGOWAN, CO. DOWN.

THE BELFAST CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY, LIMITED,
HAVE INSTRUCTED ME TO INVITE OFFERS FOR THE
PURCHASE, BY PRIVATE TREATY, OF THE ABOVE FARM,
CONTAINING 63 ACRES, 3 ROODS, 51 PERCHES, OR THEREABOUTS,

And held at a net Yearly Rental of in or about £23 3s. 7d. On the holding are a spacious dwelling house and extensive out-houses.

Along with the above the Society is prepared to convey all its interest in portion of the bog of Edenslate, subject to the nominal rent and conditions, under which the same is held.

EDWARD COOKSEY SOLICITOR,
59 ROYAL AVENUE, BELFAST.

DOCKRELL LIMITED.
FURNITURE AUCTION,

TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), 16th DECEMBER,
At 12 o'clock, at

1 SANDYCOVE AVENUE, E.

Including Oak Enclosed Sideboard, with mirror-back; 6 Oak Frame Dining Chairs, 2 do. Arm Chairs; do. Sofa; Oak Dining Table, with screw expanding frame; Oak Side Table, Oak Hall Stand; do. Table and Bench; 2 Oak Bedroom Suites, Oak and Black Enamel Single Beds, Wire and Hair Mattresses and Bedding; Bedside Table, Oak Secretaire, Coal Vases, Painted Press, Bedroom Ware, Oak Open Bookcase, Painted Chest of Drawers, Child's Bed, Lino, Cutlery, Case of Fish Knives and Forks, Extension and Step Ladders, Gas Heating Stove, Gas Cooking Stove, Kitchen Furniture and Utensils, China and Glass, Lawn Mower, Garden Seat, Forcing Frame, Galvanised Barrow, Garden Tools, etc., etc. On View from 10 o'clock.

DOCKRELL LIMITED,
Auctioneers and Valuers,
SOUTH GREAT GEORGE'S STREET, DUBLIN.

TOWN OF CARLOW.
CLUB HOUSE.

SALE ADVERTISED FOR 17th inst. has been POSTPONED. Particulars later.

ROBERT BELL,
Auctioneer, CARLOW.

COALS.

COALS.
WALLACE BROS., LTD

THIS DAY'S PRICES:

BEST ORRELL	52/- Per Ton.
BEST WIGAN	49/- Per Ton.
BEST KITCHEN	46/- Per Ton.
BEST SCOTCH HOUSE	42/- Per Ton.

Delivered in the City.
Special discount of 2/- per ton if cash paid with order.
Small additional charges are made for delivery beyond old City Boundary, or on quantities of less than one ton.

23 WESTMORELAND STREET.
Telegrams—"Wallace, Dublin." Telephone—2999 and 3000.

COAL.

EXCELLENT COAL is on Sale at the Gas Works in BAGNALSTOWN, CAHIR, CARRICK-ON-SUIR, FERMOY, KILKENNY, LISMORE, LONGFORD, MAGHERAFELT, MOUNTMELLICK, QUEENSTOWN, THURLES, WARRENPOINT, and WICKLOW. It is FREE FROM SLACK, which is kept for making gas and coke. Try it once, and you will Buy again.

NOTED IRISHMEN—Names of Prize-winners in this Competition are published to-day in the Christmas number of the "WEEKLY IRISH TIMES."

HOUSES AND LANDS.

DOCKRELL LIMITED, M.I.A.A.
VALUERS AND AUCTIONEERS.

Glenageary, 3 Acres—DETACHED, NON-BASEMENT RESIDENCE FOR SALE, enjoying lovely views Dublin Bay, Howth, etc. Three reception, 6 bedrooms, dressingroom, bathroom, servant's room, motor garage, tennis court, vinery. Held for 93 years from 1903 at £34 3/6. Price, with Possession, only £3,200. Apply to Dockrell Limited, South Great George's street.

Terenure—Well built MODERN HOUSE for SALE, non-basement. Contains drawingroom, diningroom, 4 bedrooms, maid's room, hot bath, good bright kitchen, garden, conservatory, cycle house, etc. Ground rent only £5 5/-; lease 800 years. Apply Dockrell Limited, Agents, Dublin.

Drogheda (vicinity)—FOR SALE, SPLENDID MILL PREMISES, with Valuable Machinery, in first-class order; 6 Acres of Land, ample water supply, electric light; suit for Corn Mill, Flax Mill, etc. Held for ever, free of all rent. Price moderate. Apply to Dockrell Limited, South Great George's street.

Clonskeagh, Sandford Road—MODERN WELL-BUILT HOUSE FOR SALE, on tram line; early possession; price £1,650. Apply Dockrell Limited, South Great George's street.

DOCKRELL LIMITED.
STH. GT. GEORGE'S STREET.

AUCTIONS.

EXTENSIVE SALE OF MODERN AND ANTIQUE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, SILVER AND PLATED WARE, FARMING IMPLEMENTS AND OUTDOOR EFFECTS, LIVE STOCK, etc.,

AT BALLYROAN HOUSE,

RATHFARNHAM, CO. DUBLIN,
BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
On the Premises,
On TO-DAY, TO-MORROW and WEDNESDAY, 15th, 16th, and 17th DECEMBER, 1924.
Commencing at ten o'clock each day.

I HAVE been instructed by the Executor of the late Mrs. Watson to SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION on the above dates the entire Furnishings of above, consisting of the contents of Diningroom, Drawingrooms, Hall, Study, 8 Bedrooms, Stairs, Servants' rooms, Kitchen, Housemaid's Pantry, etc., and comprising, amongst others, Sheraton Furniture, 2 Mahogany Sideboards, Dining Table (6 leaves) and Dining Chairs, Carving Chair, Tea Chest, China Cabinet, Dumb Waiter, Marble Clock, Gilt Clock, in Brass Case; Occasional Tables, Sofa, Oil Paintings, Engravings, Mirrors; a collection of Glass and Chinaware, Waterford Cut Glass, Mahogany Hall Tables and Chairs, Grandfather Clock, Marble Stand, Revolving Bookcase, Grand Piano, Brass Inlaid Cabinet, Chests of Drawers, Wardrobes; several Mahogany Four Poster Beds and Bedding, Stair Carpets and Rods, Carpets, Hearth Rugs and Mats, Curtains and Poles, Kitchen Tables, Presses, Culinary Utensils, etc.

Contents of Housemaid's Pantry, including Dinner Service; several Tea, Coffee, and Dessert Services, etc., etc. A large collection of Silver and Sheffield Plate, including some old Irish Silver, Silver Forks and Spoons, 2 Old Silver Loving Cups, Plated Tea Urn, Tea and Coffee Pots, etc., etc. Outdoor Effects and Farming Implements—Rubber-tyred Brougham, 2 Victorias, Harness; several good Farm Carts and Harness, Garden Tools, Seats, and Chairs; a quantity of well-saved Old Meadow Hay, 3 Milch Cows, 7 young Cattle, Farm Horse and Carriage Horse.

Order of Sale:—First Day—Cattle and Outdoor Effects and Contents of Kitchen, Diningroom and Hall, etc. Second Day — Drawingrooms and Study, etc. Third Day—Commencing with Bedroom Furniture. Silver and Silver Plate will be Sold at twelve o'clock on that day.

Terms—Cash and 5 per cent. Auction Fees.

A charge of 2/- will be made for admission to the house, which will be refunded to buyers on production of Admission Ticket.

G. H. LENNON,
Auctioneer and Live Stock Salesman,
29 PRUSSIA STREET, DUBLIN.

Well tailored suit in russet Irish tweed.

Slyne & Co. Ltd.
71 Grafton Street, Dublin.

HOUSES AND LANDS.

BATTERSBY & CO.

Established 1815. 'Phones 46 and 49.

If interested in the undermentioned, call, 'phone, or write, and our services are at your disposal.

BUSINESS PREMISES—Magnificent Corner Site with window display, two busy streets, centre City, and large basement, with every accommodation; two entrances; central heating; electric light. For Rent apply BATTERSBY, Dublin.

KENILWORTH PARK—Possession—Attractive Modern Non-basement House, with every convenience; 3 sitting, 4 bedrooms, maid's room, bath; conveniently situated, choice residential locality. Price £1,100.—BATTERSBY, Dublin.

DRUMCONDRA—Furnished House to Let. Modern, Non-basement; nicely situated, close to tram-line, overlooking fine park; 3 sitting, 4 bedrooms, maid's room, bath. £120 per annum.—BATTERSBY, Dublin.

DUN LAOGHAIRE—Possession—Fine, substantially built House, in first-class neighbourhood, containing 15 rooms, 3 bathrooms, garage; all in perfect order. Suit hotel or flats.—BATTERSBY, Dublin.

BATTERSBY & CO.,
AUCTIONEERS,
39 WESTMORELAND STREET.

BUTCHERING BUSINESS
AND FIFTY ACRES OF FATTENING LAND FOR SALE.

TWO Butchers' Shops, one with Residence and large Yard, in the town of Kilcullen; the other Lock-up Shop, in the centre of Camp on the Curragh. Full particulars from
JOHN DARDIS,
BELMONT HOUSE, NEWBRIDGE.

AUCTIONS.

1 KENILWORTH ROAD, RATHMINES.

SALE ON THURSDAY NEXT (INSTEAD OF MONDAY) OF ATTRACTIVE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

JAMES ALLEN and SON have been instructed to SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on the Premises, at 1 Kenilworth road, Rathmines, on THURSDAY NEXT, the Attractive Household Furniture, consisting of Mahogany Dining Tables, Mahogany Sideboard, Diningroom Suite, several Inlaid and other Tables, Overmantels, Mahogany Bureau, Oil Paintings, Axminster and other Carpets, Hearth Rugs, Clocks, Curtains and Poles, Electric Fittings, Oak Writing Desk, Linen, Plated Tea Service, Pair Toasters, Epergne, Plaques, Ebony China Cabinet, Music Cabinet, Baby Grand Piano, Collard and Collard; Large Gilt Overmantel, Flower Pots and Stands, Brass Curb and Irons, Revolving Book Case, Settee, Divan Chairs, Drawingroom Chairs, Card Table, Mahogany Wardrobes, Dressing Table, with large mirror; Wash Stand, with marble top; Wicker Arm Chairs, Commode, Stair Carpet, Lino, Singer's Sewing Machine, Folding Chairs, Bentwood Chairs, Meat Safe, Garden Hose, Kitchen Dresser, Mangle, Table, Scales, Oval and other Pots, usual Kitchen Utensils, Coat Rack, etc., etc.

Sale at 11 o'clock sharp. Purchasers to pay 5 per cent. Auction Fees.
On View morning of Sale.

SALE ON THE 17th DECEMBER OF LEASEHOLD PREMISES.

65 DAME STREET.

ATTRACTIVE BUSINESS PREMISES.
Held for ever, subject to annual rent of £53 19/6. These Premises have a frontage of 18 feet with a depth of 70 feet, and contains large spacious Shop with 7 apartments; clear possession will be given.

Messrs. O'NEILL and COLLINS, Solicitors, 43 and 44 Lower Sackville street.

COMPACT BUNGALOW RESIDENCE,
On about 9 Acres, on the

BOGHALL ROAD, BRAY.

Held for ever, free of rent. Containing 6 apartments, garden. Convenient to the Town of Bray. Clear possession will be given of house. Land is Let for Grazing up to February.

H. F. CHIDLEY, Esq., Solicitor, 11 South Frederick street.

4 OAKLANDS TERRACE, TERENURE.

Lease 500 years. Head Rent £5. Contains 5 apartments, bathroom, h. and c. Clear possession; all newly done up.

JAMES ALLEN & SON,
Auctioneers and Valuers,
73 MIDDLE ABBEY STREET, DUBLIN.
'Phone 74.

Another Huge Delivery of DRESS SILKS

Great Bargains for this week

FASHIONS FAVOURITE FABRIC

A magnificent opportunity occurs to purchase rich lustrous Silks—reliable in wear and smart in appearance.

Superior Quality Artificial Knitting Silk, all colours, also Ivory and Black. Record Sale Price, ½lb. hank ... 1/9½

Artificial Crepe Knitting Silk, superior make, all good shades; also Ivory and Black. Record Sale Price, ½lb. hank ... 2/4½

Lovely Shot Taffeta, for smart evening dresses, in good shades, double width. 5/11 quality. Record Sale Price, per yard ... 4/9

Marvellous Value, Artificial Crepe Silk, double width, Salmon, Lemon, Gold, Helio, Cerise. Record Sale Price, per yard ... 2/9

Lovely Artificial Broche Silks, double width, Ivory, Helio, Flame, Saxe, Lemon, Grey and Rose. Record Sale Price, per yard ... 3/6½

Double Width Schappe Crepe, for Lingerie, Ivory, Champagne, Pale Blue, Turquoise, Salmon, Nil, and Beaver. Record Sale Price, per yard... 3/6

Heavy Silk and Wool Marocain, double width, Tan, Almond, Saxe, Nigger, Grey, Navy, and Fawn. 7/11 quality. Record Sale Price, per yard ... 5/11

Artificial Crepe Silk, double width, light grounds, with smart designs, very effective, 7/11 quality. Record Sale Price per yard 3/11½

Lovely Self Broche Marocain, double width, Grey, Fawn, Brick, Almond, Nigger and Tan, 8/11 quality. Record Sale Price, per yard... 7/6

Double Width Crepe Marocain, in smart design of Black and White, very latest. Record Sale Price per yard ... 6/11

8/11 for 3/9—All Silk Printed Shantung, 34" wide, great variety of designs and colourings. Record Sale Price per yard ... 3/9

White Japanese Silk, 36" wide. Record Sale Prices, per yard, 2/6 and ... 2/-

Black Japanese Silk, 36" wide. Record Sale Price per yard... 2/6

27" wide Chiffon Finish Velveteen, with smart printed design, 8/11 quality. Record Sale Price, per yard ... 6/11

Black Taffeta Silk, double width. Record Sale Prices, per yard, 5/-, 4/6 and ... 3/9½

Rich Black Satin Mousseline, double width. Record Sale Prices, per yard, 6/11, 4/11 and... 3/11½

Black Marocain, Silk and Wool, double width. Lovely qualities. Record Sale Prices, per yard, 6/11 and... 5/11

Black Satin Charmante, double width, crepe back, all silk. Record Sale Price per yard ... 6/11

Black Satin Grenadine, double width, all silk. Record Sale Price per yard ... 7/11

NOTE ADDRESS:
The Silk Mercers, Ltd.
"SILK SPECIALISTS"
37 GRAFTON STREET, DUBLIN

CONTRACTS.

THE DUBLIN BOROUGH COMMISSIONERS are prepared to receive Tenders for the PAINTING of the CORPORATION DWELLINGS, in accordance with the Specification, etc., obtainable at the Office of the City Treasurer, Exchange Buildings, Lord Edward street, on payment of One Guinea, returnable on the submission of bona-fide Tenders.

Tenders, endorsed on the envelopes "Tenders for Painting—H. W. and S. Section," must reach me not later than 12 noon on Monday, 29th December, 1924.

By Order,
J. J. MURPHY, Town Clerk.

THE BEST WEEK-END PAPER FOR DUBLIN People is the "WEEKLY IRISH TIMES." Last Edition on Sale every Saturday Morning. Price Twopence.

ROWAN'S Practical Xmas Presents

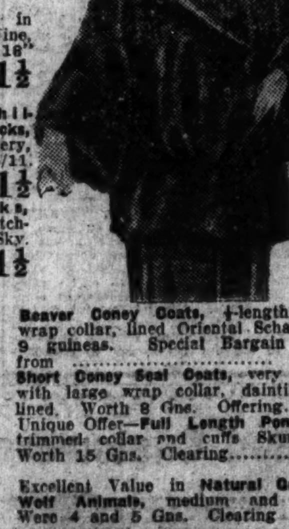
VERY PRACTICAL GIFTS. Ladies' All-Wool Ripple Cloth Dressing Gowns, in Dainty Shadings. Worth 21/-. Xmas Offer, 8/11

Pretty Frock (as sketch), in Navy Serge or Gabardine, pleated skirt, neatly finished, patent belt and fancy stitching. Sizes 24" to 36". For 24" ... 14/11
(Rise 2/- each size.)

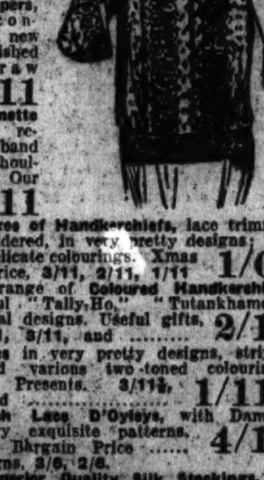
Dainty Velvet Frocks, in Saxe, Cinnamon, Rose, Wine, Navy, Crimson. Sizes 18" to 33". For 18" ... 3/11½
(Rise 2/- each size.)

Immense Bargain in **Children's White Voile Frocks,** neatly trimmed embroidery, 16" and 18". Worth 4/11. Our Price ... 1/11½

Dainty Cashmere Frocks, neatly trimmed, fancy stitching; Saxe, Pink, Cream, Sky. Worth 4/6. Our Price ... 1/11½



VISIT OUR TOY SECTION, Comprising many Interesting Games, Books, Dolls and Varied Assortment of Mechanical Toys.



Lovely Crepe-de-Chine and Art. Silk Jumpers, in two-toned effects, many pretty Bulgarian introductions. Very practical gift. Special Xmas Offer, 21/- AND 15/11

Ladies' Tricoline Jumpers, neatly embroidered contrasting floss stitching, new pointed collar, finished picket edge, with draw girdle at waist. Only ... 3/11

Dainty Silk Stockinette Jumpers, self-colours, relieved Oriental silk band down front and on shoulders. Worth 12/11. Our offer ... 5/11

Very Charming Assortment of **Handbags,** in Crocodile, Morocco, Puma, and Suede, in various designs; beautifully fitted, mirror, vanity sets, and cigarette settings. Stocked in all leading colourings. Special Xmas Prices, 45/- to ... 15/11

Other **Useful Bags** in many dainty designs. Exquisitely fitted. Xmas Bargain Price, 12/11 ... 8/11

Pretty Little **Vanity Bags for Children,** in "Felix," "Tally-Ho," and other mascots interesting to kiddies. Our Xmas Offer, 1/6, 1/- ... 8½D.

See Ladies' Special Tweed Costumes, Assorted Mixtures. Worth 42/-. Xmas Bargain ... 15/11

Beaver Coney Coats, ¾-length, with large wrap collar, lined Oriental Schappe. Worth 9 guineas. Special Bargain from ... 5½ GNS.

Short Coney Seal Coats, very smart styles, with large wrap collar, daintily lined. Worth 8 Gns. Offering... 4 GNS.

Unique Offer—**Full Length Pony Skin Coat,** trimmed collar and cuffs Skunk Opossum. Worth 15 Gns. Clearing... 3 GNS.

Excellent Value in **Natural Grey and Red Wolf Animals,** medium and large sizes. Were 4 and 5 Gns. Clearing ... 3 GNS.

Another Line—**Natural Animal Ties.** Were 59/6. Clearing ... 29/6

Large Assortment of New Small **Single Animal Ties,** in Skunk and Natural Fitch, Musquash, Skunk Opossum, Stone Marten, and American Opossum. Ranging from ... 19/11
Worth double.

Ladies' Umbrellas, in Very Uncommon Designs: "Chubby" and Militaire Styles, in various colourings. Very Acceptable Xmas Gifts. 21/- to ... 6/11

Dainty Boxes of Handkerchiefs, lace trimmed and embroidered, in very pretty designs; also in dainty delicate colourings. Xmas Bargain Price, 3/11, 2/11, 1/11 ... 1/0½

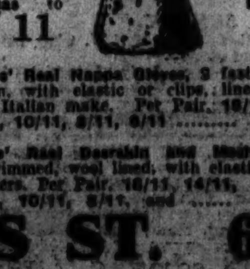
Exquisite range of **Coloured Handkerchiefs,** in beautiful "Tally-Ho," "Tutankhamen," and Oriental designs. Useful gifts, 5/11, 4/11, 3/11, and ... 2/11

Gent.'s Ties in very pretty designs, stripes, shots, and various two-toned colourings. Acceptable Presents. 3/11½, 2/11½ ... 1/11½

Pretty Irish Lace D'Oyleys, with Damask centre, very exquisite patterns. Our Xmas Bargain Price ... 4/11
Other designs, 3/6, 2/6.

Ladies' Superior Quality Silk Stockings, all shadings, 2/11, 1/11, and ... 1/-

Ladies' and Gentlemen's Fur Back Gloves, Lined Wool and Fur, in Rabbit, Coney, Beaver, Jap Hare, Fox and Real Seal. From, Per Pair, 8 Guineas to 8/11



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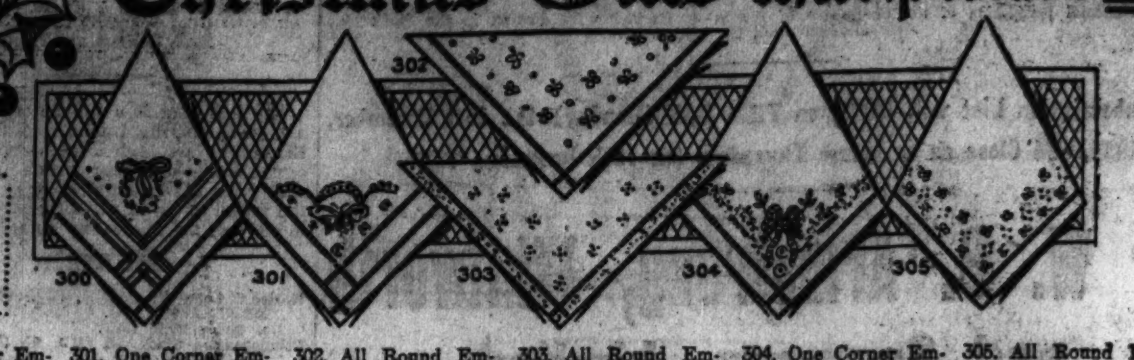

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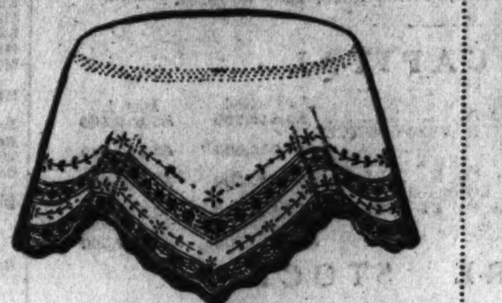

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